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Donahue Hall Captures the Title for Ice Wars in the Tsongas Arena

Ice Wars at Winterfest 1999

Ice is not only for skating at the Tsongas Arena

by Brad Duquette
Connector Editor

Rubber chickens, flying fish, beach balls, what's next a tug-of-war on ice?

During intermission at the UMass Lowell vs. UMass Amherst hockey game, residents from Sheehy, Donahue, Leitch, and Fox Hall competed in a tug-of-war on the Tsongas arena ice. The competition was part of Winterfest 99' which began Feb. 15 and ended with Donahue dragging Leitch across the blue line. Diana Melnyk, a participant and resident of Donahue Hall was thrilled with the outcome.

"It was fun being in front of everyone at the Tsongas Arena and winning," said Melnyk.

Residents also wore designated building colors in order to earn points.

Winners received t-shirts and will have their names engraved on a plaque displayed in Costello Gym.

Assistant Director of Rec. Sports Brad Navis organized portions of the event and distributed 350 free tickets to resident halls.

Resident Advisor Karen Baxter was disappointed with the amount of fans at the game.

"Residence Life did all they could do for the event," said Baxter, "but perhaps athletics should have advertised more."

Festivities continued at Fox Hall in The Common where free ice-cream, free pool, and karaoke was offered to all residents.

According to Co-coordinator of karaoke and Resident Advisor Ajoy Bhattacharya people were lined up for ice-cream and there was a waiting list to sing and play pool.

"We had around 150 people here who were very enthusiastic," said Bhattacharya.

According to Bhattacharya, residents sang songs from Spice Girls, U2, and Cher's *If I Could Turn Back Time*.

"The crowd was into it," said Bhattacharya.

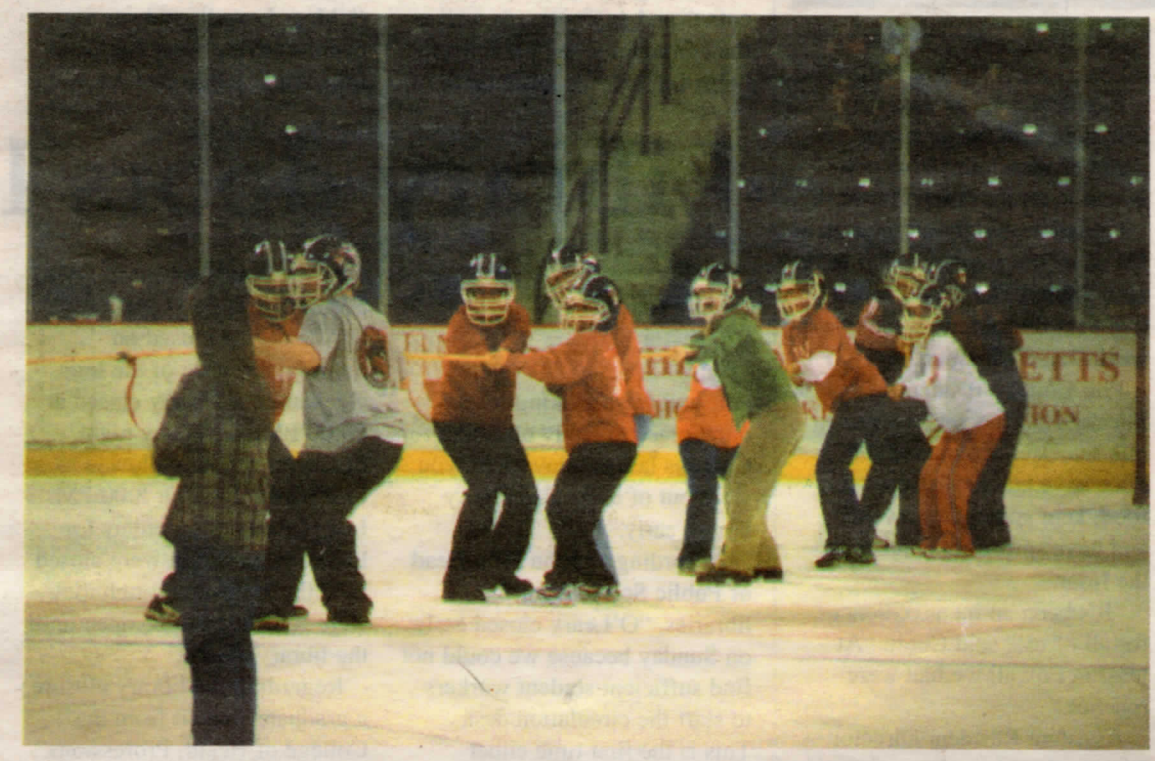


Photo by Genevieve Hubbard
Donahue pulls and tugs against Fox Hall in the Tsongas Arena on Saturday's game against Amherst

A thoughtful conversation

Katie Tyler makes appearance in Fox Hall 501

by Mbiti Jean-Pierre and
Ebony Massey
Connector Contributors

On Wednesday Feb. 17, in Fox 501, the president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) hosted a room full of students through a thoughtful conversation.

Katie Tyler, the motherly looking and soft-spoken NAACP Merrimack Valley region president, recounted the history and future of the association by reassuring the audience that the struggle perseveres.

"There's a constant struggle to uphold the laws gained" through their efforts, she said. Tyler, who's also a teacher, emphasized the import of social awareness, both past and present, and accurate information.

The ban of affirmative action in California, one of the issues discussed in the hour and a half session, is the consequences of misinformation, Tyler explains. Because affirmative action, originally designed by Arthur Fletcher under the title of the "Philadelphia Plan" of 1967, sought to help minorities and women, especially white females whom the plan benefited more than blacks.

The serenely striking speaker aroused questions from the ensemble of students and possibly new members for the NAACP.

Marie C. Alexander, a Business Marketing sophomore, learned about the association's annual youth conferences; while Mike Greene, an Engineering senior, discussed affirmative

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Photo by Genevieve Hubbard
Katie Tyler delivers a powerful message to UML students

No task too hard

Blindness does not stop Joe O'Neil

by Bridget Sheehy
Connector Contributor

Joe O'Neil, a senior graduating with an English degree and History minor this June, is a familiar face on campus. He has been involved in several activities at UMass including the Student Government Senate, the Connector, Student Activities Commission, and the returning Students Association. What sets Joe apart from a lot of us is that he is blind.

O'Neil developed a rare form of cancer called bilateral retina blastoma when he was two years old. With the encouragement and support from his family, he has been able to lead a very successful life. Joe attended a special resources program for the blind from kindergarten through the fifth grade. That experience provided him with a good foundation so that he was able to

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A BRIEF LOOK

News on two...

Come see the Mice-capades in Sheehy!

Why was the library closed during its normal operating hours?

Sports in Brief

The men's basketball team was victorious in their first round playoff. See **back page.**



Men's ice hockey unable to pick up points this weekend. See **back page** .

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Dave Matthew's Band has a new album. See **page 7**.

Dave Matthew's Band

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Whatever Xcetera

Check out the newest feature of the ConnectoR -- it was titled "Human Interest" page last week, but it's been revamped.
Ask Maria,

Calender Events

Egg drop contest...
Food for the spirit...

A guest from MTV's "The Real World" in the MPR...

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I was just thinking...

by Scott McDonald

Some of the best signs I have seen at the games have been:

1. It sucks to BU
2. We hate Parker
3. Welcome to the real UMass.
4. Women say we have the biggest hawks

You gotta love that little kid holding the sign up behind the UMass Amherst bench

What was up with those UMass Amherst fans taunting the band. The band could beat the UMass Amherst hockey team.

Where have the cheerleaders been? I am never gonna get a free tee shirt when we score a goal if they don't show up. I think you have to date one of the cheerleaders to get a shirt. It's a conspiracy I tell you.

The food at the Tsongas Arena is overpriced. Why don't we get a student discount ?

What's up with the new River Hawk costume? It is nasty looking. Is the River Hawk a guy or a girl ?? The costume has big muscles like a guy and white skates like a girl -- I think the River hawk has a sexual identity crisis.

I saw the River hawk do a split on the ice. I hope that was a girl (ouch).

Those little hockey players from Malden lost our beach-ball. Sorry kids, but the fans are correct; Malden really does suck.

Hey, Kyle Kidney actually started a game and didn't even draw a penalty. He hasn't played the same since he scored a goal. Whitehead killed Kidney that bastard.

The contest between periods stinks. Get Chris and Freddy from the Lock Monsters to do the River Hawk games.

Last thought "Oh, how I wish I had a purple shirt."

NOTE

As the person responsible for the layout of the Op/Ed section, I, Jennifer Ross, am supposed to edit the section.

However, I dare not change anything for fear of angering the author of the article.

Sometimes the Connector gets blamed for typos it did not create. Granted, it did not correct them either, but I did not want to anger the author.

I'm damned if I do and damned if I don't. To avoid this dilemma, please submit your article as you would like it to appear in the paper.

Parking, from page 5

now have the means to collect ticket money. (?) They always did, they just didn't hold peoples grades. Look at a Umass Lowell parking ticket, it says right on it that it can be sent to the registry in 21 days if not paid. Note to committee: send the unpaid tickets to the registry, then when people have Massachusetts registry documents held, they will pay their tickets.

Oh, and the "I pay to go to school here" excuse does not fly. Take that and thirty five cents, and you can get a phone call. Just because you pay to attend a university, doesn't mean that you can do whatever you want whenever you want, and most people know that, they just don't admit it.

The administration is more concerned with political matters than the safe operation of their school. Parking decks should have been built 10 years ago. You know why they aren't built yet? Because the money it takes to build them is going into someone's pocket, not back into the University as it should be.

Sooner or later, a fire will break out and someone will be hurt because the fire truck can't get into a certain area (look behind Lydon Library lately?). Or a handicapped person will get hurt because some lazy ass took their parking spot. The people who came up with this plan will be running and pointing fingers at everyone else but themselves.

Let's get some people who can solve this problem, because who we have right now aren't getting the job done.

Corner, from page 5

square mile in Lowell.

Aside from bars and liquor stores, many restaurants have licenses to sell alcohol to their guests. While many of the bars in Lowell also serve food, there are twenty other establishments that serve alcohol, such as international-food restaurants and pizza/sub shops. Sometimes you need a beer with your pizza, or a "Suffering Bastard" with your Moo Goo Gai Pan.

Overall, there are at least ninety-two places where one can be served alcohol in Lowell. This means that, for every square mile, there are 7.1 outlets for alcohol. While the majority of these places dwell far off of both campuses, they do exist in every area and neighborhood of Lowell. The number makes it seem like the Merrimack River will dry up long before the city does unless they confront the issue now and put a limit on the distribution of liquor licenses. New bars and liquor stores seem to be popping up every year in Lowell, and right now there are more places to get alcohol then there are schools for children and adults. One on every corner.

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NASHOBA VALLEY

Arts & Entertainment

Lovin' it -- Live

by Josh Spencer
Connector Staff

Before he formed the band that carries his name, Dave Matthews wrote and played with a guitarist named Tim Reynolds in their hometown of Charlottesville, Virginia. Reynolds has since guest starred on several Dave Matthews Band tracks and following DMB's 1996 release "Crash," Matthews and Reynolds headed out on a brief acoustic tour.

This double-CD live album, *Live at Luther College*, comes from that short tour. It is made up of all DMB hits, and is a mellow alternative to their already mellow music. Adding to his already impressive catalogue, the live album is a treat. The most impressive element of the album is the guitar playing. Matthews is definitely one of the best guitar players in music today. A must-own, great album. ****

Dave Matthew's Band

'Blast' off to nowhere

by Katie Hennessy
Connector Editor

How interesting to make a film centering on a man raised with cheery Kennedy-era sensibilities coping with the bitter and cynical '90s. *Blast from the Past* tries to be an innovative romantic comedy, but falls flat. It wastes the talents of its stars and manages a hokey unorganized mess.



Photo by Peter Sorel
Alicia Silverstone and Brendan Fraser in *Blast from the Past*.

The story begins in 1962, the peak of Cold War paranoia. Calvin and Helen Webber (Christopher Walken and Sissy Spacek) mistake a blast they hear for a nuclear cataclysm and head for their fallout shelter built under their backyard. Calvin a brilliant scientist, equips the underground refuge with all the comforts of home. Meanwhile, Helen gives birth to their son whom they name, predictably, Adam.

One day, thirty-five years later, Adam (Brendan Fraser) emerges from underground in search of two things: supplies and a wife. Raised with perfect manners and a high regard for Perry Como, Adam finds himself lost in the fast-paced San Fernando Valley. That is until he meets Eve (Alicia Silverstone), a jaded yet beautiful woman. Get it, Adam and Eve.

Eve finds Adam strangely intriguing with his courteous manner. She promises to help him find a wife, but soon falls for him herself. Together with her gay roommate (Dave Foley), they introduce Adam to the '90s. One of their first stops, oddly enough, is a '40s club. All the dancing lessons from his mother pay off for Adam as he Swing dances in one of the movie's best scenes.

Blast from the Past fails because it does not find a common ground between then and now. The past is a little too bright, while the present is a bit too gloomy. Brendan Fraser, who seems to find fulfillment in playing goofy, wide-eyed, not of this world characters (i.e. *Encino Man, George of the Jungle)*, is a convincing Adam. Again, the fine actor plays a role far beneath him. Alicia Silverstone portrays a character similar to her role in 1996's *Excess Baggage*, with whom she starred Christopher Walken. As Adam and Eve, Fraser and Silverstone make a charming couple, but flat lines from a

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A new day for Adams

by Brian Beckwith
Connector Contributor

Although Bryan Adams appears to be a ballad king, he is still writing and performing the harder rock songs that made him a star. In "On a Day Like Today," the 39-year old Canadian singer reaches back to his rock roots.

Adams burst onto the music scene in the early '80s with rockers like "Cuts Like a Knife," "This Time," "Run to You," and "Summer of '69" to name a few. He also had great success with ballads like "Straight from the Heart" and his first #1 hit, "Heaven." Adams' career continued to surge in the '90s as he kept releasing hit after hit. In the '90s, he's had three #1 hits: "(Everything I Do) I Do It For You," "All For Love," and "Have You Ever Really Loved a Woman?"

In recording the new album, Adams worked with Metallica producer Bob Rock, who helped bring an edgier sound to the songs. Initially, the album was released in October, but it did not generate the buzz surrounding Adams' previous releases. The cause— the demise of his longtime label A&M Records.

"It's gone," Adams told the Vancouver Sun. "I'm now an Interscope artist." Despite the obviously major change, Adams didn't have much to say about the switch. "I've been with the same record company since I was 18," he told the Sun. "It's hard for me to say anything because I've done okay by them."

Because of the record label change, Adams plans to re-release "Day," which was a mega-hit in Europe. Currently, he is on tour with the Rolling Stones in the US, playing occasional headlining gigs in clubs.

Paging Dr. Ross

by Patricia Herholz
Connector Contributor

On last Thursday, *ER*'s Dr. Ross, George Clooney, said good-bye to the hit show. Clooney, who's starred on the show since its debut, decided this to be his last season in order to pursue his movie career.

While on *ER*, the actor starred in such films as *One Fine Day*, *From Dusk Till Dawn*, *Batman and Robin*, and most recently as a fugitive bank robber in *Out of Sight*.

Clooney started his career at age 21 in California. He spent the next year unemployed and bicycling to auditions. He was able to land a short-term contract with ABC before joining the cast of the Elliot Gould vehicle *E/R* in mid-season.

After a series of guest appearances in *The Facts of Life* and *Roseanne*, Clooney checked into his role as pediatrician Dr. Ross, which earned him two Emmy nominations and launched his career.

ER's February 11th show left viewers wondering what would become of Dr. Ross. During the show, the doctor's career came crashing down due to his unorthodox medical practices. At the end of the show, we watched Doug Ross leave the hospital with a coworker in attempt to get to the scene of a school bus accident, but on the way, he hit a barrier.

The following episode found Dr. Ross a little banged up, but all right. During the show, he revealed his plans of resigning and moving to Seattle to his girlfriend, Carol Hathaway, asking her to come with him. She said no.

The fans, as well as his fellow cast members will miss Clooney and his character. Since *ER* did not kill Dr. Ross, there is hope he will return for "prescribed" guest appearances.

Murray shines in 'Rushmore'

by Casey Lerner
Connector Contributor

Rushmore is exactly the kind of offbeat comedy expected from Wes Anderson in his sophomore directing effort. Anderson once again shares screenwriting credits with friend Owen Wilson, who some might remember as deep-core driller, Oscar, in 1998's *Armageddon*. Anderson and Wilson co-wrote the hilarious and critically acclaimed *Bottle Rocket*.

This time the two wrote a much darker comedy about a tenth-grade private school student, Max Fischer, who falls in love with his teacher, played by Olivia Williams. At first, Max's infatuation seems innocent, but by the end of the movie his attempts to woo the much older Miss Cross prove ultimately hilarious. The movie takes a turn-for-the-better when wealthy steel tycoon Mr. Blume, played by the incomparable Bill Murray, steps into the picture as he competes for Miss Cross' affection. The length's they go to while trying to sabotage each other's efforts reaches hysterical heights.



Photo by Van Redin
Bill Murray (l) stars as steel tycoon Mr. Blume who takes charismatic student Max Fischer (Schwartzman, r) under his wing.

Murray is *Rushmore*'s shining star, playing to perfection the

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At the Box Office

compiled by Katie Hennessy
Connector Editor

1. Message in a Bottle
2. Payback
3. My Favorite Martian
4. She's All That
5. Shakespeare in Love
6. Blast from the Past
7. Saving Private Ryan
8. Rushmore
9. Patch Adams
10. Varsity Blues

source: Exhibitor Relations, Co.

WB vs. Fox -- Week in Review

Compiled by A&E Staff

Jack Comes Out

This week's episode of *Dawson's Creek*, a shock hit Capeside. Joey's boyfriend Jack admitted he's gay. Does Joey now move on and listen to her heart or will she be in a depressive state over her loss of Jack?

Overshadowed by the Jack situation, Pacey gave us all a visual of what we would all like to do to our most hated teachers. I admit that there have been a few teachers who deserved a "loogie" in my time and I know that you have one or more yourself.

This past episode will be talked about for a few weeks because next week's episode is a repeat. Your guess is as good as mine for what will happen after this catastrophe. When another crazy thing happens in the wonderful world of *Dawson's Creek*, I will be back to talk about it.

Felicity

After watching her stalker get hit by a bus, Felicity rediscovered her artistic side. As usual, her boyfriend Noel freaked out when she wasn't around. Meanwhile, Julie sent her tape to the woman she thought was her birth mother, only to find out it was all a mistake. Ben began his job at the coffee show, the same one where Felicity works. Dare we think something might develop between the two? Or will Felicity become attracted to the handsome painter she met in the art studio?

90210

Well for this week's show Noah asked Donna to move in with him, of course that was before Gina convinced Noah that he slept with her. Steve and Janet seem to have gotten along really well together for that weekend in the woods. Matt's wife Lauren was told by her doctor that she has to go off her medication or else she'll die, but that means she'll have to be readmitted to the loony bin. Kelly bought Dylan a new car and Gina, of course, got jealous. Meanwhile, since Kelly is single and Dylan's not sure where his life is going, watch for them to get back together. But on the predictable side of things, Donna and David seem to be getting back together. All in all these wacky kids are doing their best to keep the show from getting mediocre.

Griffin and Claudia?

After tracking down Daphne, Charlie convinces her to go back with him to San Francisco. Once he gets the U-Haul, though, he finds Daphne is not totally packed and ready to go. She is convinced she's screwed up because her mother left her alone when she was old enough to realize what was happening. Her rationale is that if she leaves now Diana won't know what's going on and it won't screw up her life. Meanwhile Kirsten leaves because she realizes she still has feelings for Charlie and she's under the impression that Daphne's back in the picture.

Bailey takes Owen to school, learning his little brother might have a learning disability. He goes ahead and has Owen checked out psychologically and Charlie flips when he comes home to calamity. They fight and argue over who can take better care of Owen.

Julia convinces Ned they should go to couples therapy, Ned convinces Julia to move in with him. But the most interesting part of the show was when Claudia told Griffin that they all cared about him deeply. This of course was after Charlie threw Griffin out for beating the living $#!t out of Ned. I'm not sure but I think I see some potential between Griffin and Claudia.

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hackneyed script sends them soaring towards an inevitable dead end.

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Human seal

by Rob Gregory
Connector Contributor

Seal has experienced incredible success in the last few years with multiple Grammys as well as huge record sales. He is known for his soothing vocals and gut-wrenching lyrics. The album represents Seal's consideration of the human condition. "Despite what our differences may be, underneath we are all human beings," is the inspirational sentiment Seal delivers in twelve songs.



Photo by Jean Baptiste-Mondino

Human Being does not contain chart-topping hits like "Crazy" or "Kiss from a Rose" like in previous albums, but it does promote a personal growth feeling, which is pretty cool. Overall, it is mellow even for Seal, but if you're interested in the message along with the music, consider *Human Being*.

Sending out an SOS



Photo by Ben Glass

Kevin Costner and robin Wright Penn star in *Message in a Bottle*, Warner Bros.' romance about love lost and found, also starring Paul Newman.

by Katie Hennessy
Connector Editor

Many a romantic movie claims to be something else, like a drama or a comedy, but *Message in a Bottle* does not pretend to be anything but a love story. Based on the best-selling novel by Nicholas Sparks, the film captures a gorgeous couple and an even more stunning landscape. Even with its star power, the movie is a water-logged melodrama.

One morning while jogging on a Cape Cod beach, *Chicago Tribune* researcher Theresa Osborne (Robin Wright Penn) discovers a curious bottle poking out of the sand. She finds a letter inside, and its author captures her heart. After some high-tech searching, Theresa learns the identity of the sea swept Romeo.

Her coworkers warn her she could be looking for someone who turns out to be "Ahab." Since it is a movie after all, the man is Garret Blake (Kevin Costner), a ruggedly handsome North Carolina boat restorer who typed a letter to his dead wife, and threw it into the sea.

Garret is the kind of man only found in romance novels. After two years since his wife Catherine's death, he keeps her paintings, fights with her family over them, and believes one love is forever. However, he is still a man, and once he sees the golden-locked and long-legged Theresa, he is instantly infatuated.

The two fall in love as couples do in fantasies, with idyllic sails on Garret's boat. Just when it looks like they will sail off into the sunset, they face the problem of Garret's undying love for his late wife. He cannot stop living in the mirage of his life with Catherine. His father Dodge (Paul Newman), who lives next door, realizes his son's potential mistake and tells him to choose "between today and tomorrow."

From there, *Message in a Bottle* sinks into sentiment and drawn out longing between the two lovers. Garret waivers back and forth between Catherine and Theresa leading up to the tearjerker, and yet unfulfilling ending.

With such immense talents as Costner and Newman, one would hope for some better material. The two stars shine as bright given the lack of strong material. Newman, as always, is unparalleled as Garret's sarcastic and lovable father. He has the ability to transform even the most mundane lines into emotional masterpieces. Costner quietly sparkles as one of the last true romantics. The leading lady, Robin Wright Penn, allows her two costars to command the screen. *Message in a Bottle* thrives on Garret and Theresa's love of being in love, but dwindles once they do.

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Josh's Video Store

by Josh Spencer
Connector Staff

I'm back, and with news about three great movies hitting video stores this week. Plus, I am giving you my video pick of the week.

Rounders, starring Matt Damon and Edward Norton, starts off the list. A master card player (Damon) trades the poker playing underworld for law school and a shot at a new life. After a short stint in his new life, Damon's childhood friend (Norton) gets out of prison, placing Damon back in the high-stakes dilemma.

There's Something About Mary, starring Ben Stiller and Cameron Diaz, is a cute and hilarious love story about never forgetting your first love.

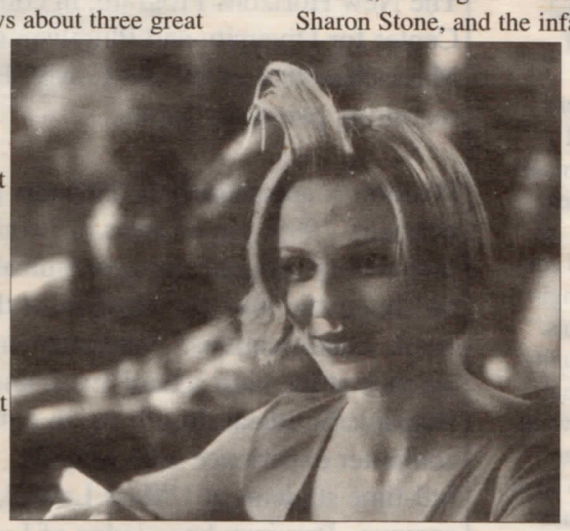


Photo by Glenn Watson
Cameron Diaz as Mary unknowingly sports a zany hairdo, the result of using some unusual "gel."

The movie comes from the people who brought you *Dumb and Dumber*. By far, the funniest movie of the year.

Antz, starring the voices of Woody Allen, Sharon Stone, and the infamous Sylvester Stallone. The movie is about Z, an ant who longs for glory and mounts a revolution within the ant colony.

All three movies are a must see, and I recommend you hit the video store as soon as possible.

The bonus pick of the week is *Mallrats*. This film comes from the writer and director of *Clerks* and *Chasing Amy*. It is a corny story, but has non-stop laughs from the moment it starts. I hope you will enjoy these movies as much I did.

Thrill-o-mania

by Bill "The Thrill" Poccia
Connector Staff

First I'd like to say to all the millions- and millions of the thrill's fans, I'm sorry for not writing an article last week, but hey, the only thing to write about was WCW Nitro and it was almost as interesting as our own "Bird's Eye View" column. That said, lets talk pro wrestling.

We'll start things off with a recap of the WWF's St. Valentine's Day Massacre PPV. Goldust defeated Bluedust (The Blue Meanie) in a squash. Bob Holly over Al Snow, becoming the new Hard-core champ. "Where was the Road Dogg Jesse James?" Well, supposedly, he got jumped on Saturday night and was injured, but the Thrill's got another two words for you, drug and rehab. Remember boys and girls, drugs are bad, m'kay. Big Bossman over Viscera (Mable) in a waste of my time match, and of course bringing out the Undertakers Ministry made it even worse. Val Venis became the new Intercontinental champ by defeating Ken "slap me" Shamrock with a little help from guest referee, Mr. Ass Billy Gunn, who shouldn't be aloud to talk anymore.

Okay, on to the good stuff. The Triple H and X-Pac vs. Kane and Chyna was a pretty good match. For those of you who don't know, Chyna's a chick and she took some good shots and gave some as well. I like that. It ended with An unconscious Chyna being placed on top of an unconscious HHH for the 1-2-3.

The Rock vs. Mankind World's title match was as good as they get. Mankind took the usual shellacking, while the Rock finally took a few bumps himself. It ended in a draw when a double chairshot knocked the two out, hence, neither man was left standing. It was a poor ending to a great match, but their match the next night on Raw made up for it.

Before we go to Raw, though, we have to talk about the main event, Stone Cold Steve Austin vs. The owner of the WWF, Vince McMahon in a steel cage match. Vinny Mac has won my respect with this one. The match starts off with the usual cat and mouse garbage. Finally Austin catches Vince and the beating take place, highlighted by Vinny Mac, a 53 year old man, falling of the top of a ten foot steel cage into, and through, the announcers table. Don't give me that "fake crap" either, yeah, it was a break away table, but ten feet is ten feet. You fall ten feet onto anything made of wood and tell me how you feel afterwards.

The two men finally get into the ring and Austin beats Vince pillar to ring post. In another ballsy showing by McMahon, he "bladed". For those of you not in the know, "bladed" Is when a wrestler slashes his forehead with a razor blade to give the impression he has been busted open from the beating he's taking. Another thing I never care to do. Finally, Paul Wright, a.k.a. WCW's Giant, came up through the mat and threw Steve Austin through the steel cage, technically making Austin the winner and remaining the #1 contender at Wrestlemania.

On to WWF Raw. We saw a repeat of the Triple H/ X-Pac vs. Kane/ Chyna match, only it's time it's Shane " My dads the boss so I wanna wrestle too" McMahon in place of Chyna. In a similar fashion as the night before, an unconscious Shane pins an unconscious X-Pac to become the new European champ. Sable did her much anticipated "heel" turn (she became a bad guy/girl) by being a stuck up, my body's fake but ain't I great, self centered (naughty word here). Val Venis successfully defended his title against Bad Ref Billy Gunn, and then kicked Ryan Shamrock, "Slap Me's" sister to the curb. "It's been real, it's even been good, but it hasn't been real good. Hit the bricks sister." I guess Val didn't want to still be friends. The Ministry came out and the Undertaker blabbered on about something stupid. I was too busy counting how many times my shower drips in a minute to care. I'll ruin it all for you now, the Undertaker is eventually going to kidnap Vince McMahon's daughter and try to take over the company. Dumb, dumb, dumb.

In the main event, we were treated to another "gimmick"

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THE B-ONE PERSPECTIVE

by Brian McGoldrick
Connector Staff

Prince Paul Presents- *A Prince Among Thieves* -Tommy Boy Records
Beats: * * * *
Nice beats. Prince Paul will always be one of the best producers.
Rhymes: * * * * 1/2
Breezly Bruin as the star?! You can't go wrong...especially when De La, Kool Keith, Sadat X and Xzibit got his back.
Creativity: * * * * 3/4
Any record produced by Prince Paul has creativity written all over it.
Highlights: "What U Got", "Weapon World" f/ Kool Keith, "Mr. Large" f/ Chubb Rock and Biz, "More Than U Know" f/ De La.

Additional comments: *A Prince Among Thieves* is a soundtrack to an upcoming motion picture with the same title, both produced by Prince Paul and starring various renowned emcees.

The movie is about a young, talented emcee, Tariq, who is trying to make it "big". There's only one thing stopping him, he needs money to make a demo tape. In order to make the money Tariq resorts to drug pushing. The album takes us through this entire process up until Tariq's unfortunate death.

In between plot relative dialog involving Tariq and a cast of skilled emcees listeners are blessed with some dope tracks featuring the likes of Kool Keith, Big Daddy Kane, Chubb Rock, Biz Markie, De La Soul, Everlast, Sadat X, Xzibit, Big Sha as Tru and Breezly Bruin of the Juggaknots as Tariq. I don't really know when the movie will be out or if it will be released at all but as far as soundtracks go...pick it up!

Louis Logic- "Planet Rock/Punch Line/Logistics 101" 12"- Superegular Recordings
Beats: *****
Rhymes: *****
Creativity: *****

Additional comments: $6.99 is a tad expensive for a twelve inch these days, but a record as good as "Planet Rock" is priceless. It has everything every hip-hop release should have. Featuring L-Fudge, "Planet Rock" hits you with a simple, yet ingenious drum beat accented by a futuristic banjo-ish loop which works impressively well with a dope, uptempo bassline. I couldn't get the melody out of my head for days. I didn't want to!

"Punch Line" is just as hot. A masterpiece sculpted with a hard engaging neckbreaker beat, it has one of the illest hooks in a long time, courtesy of J.J. Brown.

"Logistics 101" is not to slept on either. In general, Louis Logic is a true emcee who spits magnificent metaphorical mayhem and L-Fudge is just as fresh, if not better. You don't have to take my word for it—pick it up!



National Engineer's Week

LOWELL-The National Engineers Week was founded in February 1951 by the National Society of Professional Engineers.

The National Society of Professional Engineers, with membership of over 90,000 professional engineers from all disciplines of the profession, began sponsoring National Engineers Week in February 1951. The purpose of the week is to familiarize the public with the work of engineers and to honor outstanding members of the profession.

The week of George Washington's birthday is traditionally observed as National Engineer's Week because the nation's first president was a military engineer, a land surveyor, a designer of roads, fortifications, and other structures. He also had the educational background of a civil engineer in the 18th century.

The National Engineers Week is endorsed by more than 40 U.S. Engineering and Technical societies and major U.S. corporation sponsors. This endorsement is to increase public awareness and appreciation of engineering. This year the National Engineers Week is February 21-27, 1999.



One the features of National Engineers Week is Discover "E" (E for engineering). Through this program, engineerswork with the nation's teachers and other educational leaders to help young people "Discover" the challenges and rewards of engineering careers.

Discover "E" is a program to encourage all engineering and technical society members to help teach a science, math or engineering class and educate students about engineering at local schools.

It is unique opportunity for engineers to interact with students and serve as role models. Discover "E" will also serve to raise awareness among educators, the media, and the public about the need to improve science and mathematics education for our junior and senior high schools students, and to bring the importance and exciting work of engineers to their attention.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please feel free to contact us at the College of Engineering.

check it out:
http://antwrp.gsfc.nasa.gov/apod/astropix.html

CONSTRUCTION SCHOLARSHIPS

Massachusetts Constructions Advancement Program (MCAP) is offering scholarship aid to sophomores and juniors enrolled in full-time civil engineering, construction and construction management disciplines. These scholarships may be used by students to help defray tuition and/or living costs for the 1999-2000 academic year.

Applications have been distributed to civil engineering and building construction technology departments at Massachusetts colleges and universities which offer construction-orientated degrees.

Completed applications and transcripts of grades must be returned to MCAP by April 1, 1999.

SCHOLARSHIP

THE DON GAGNON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP IS AWARDED TO AN OUTSTANDING SOPHOMORE, JUNIOR, AND SENIOR BASED ON THEIR ACADEMICS, COMMUNITY SERVICE AND STUDENT INVOLVEMENT.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE BEGINNING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1999 IN THE S.G.A. OFFICE, FOX 411, AND THE STUDENT INFORMATION CENTERS.

COMPLETED APPLICATIONS MUST BE TURNED IN TO THE S.G.A. OFFICE, FOX 411 BY 4:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY, MARCH 12TH

IMMEDIATE OPENINGS

Part-Time Tutors
Math and Science

The New Horizons Program, in collaboration with the Center for Diversity and Pluralism at the University of Massachusetts Lowell and Lowell High School, are recruiting part-time Tutors.

Position is approximately 10 hours per week beginning February 1999; job consists of working in a college preparatory program for economically disadvantaged and linguistic minority students at the secondary school level. Qualifications: experience tutoring Math and Science at the high school level, knowledge of Hispanic/Southeast/South Asian cultures and languages; computer experience with Mac/PC. Candidates must be full-time students at UMass Lowell, able to work off-campus. Previous knowledge of Lowell High environment preferred. Flexible hours Monday-Friday between 7:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. until end of high school year in June. Positions are also available for Summer Program tutors, 20 hours per week, from June 27 - July 30, 1999.

Please mail/fax your resume or call:
Suzanne Gamache, Coordinator
New Horizons Program, Room 114
Lowell High School 50 Fr. Morrissette Blvd.
Lowell, MA 01852
Phone: (978) 441-1163 Fax: (978) 934-3084

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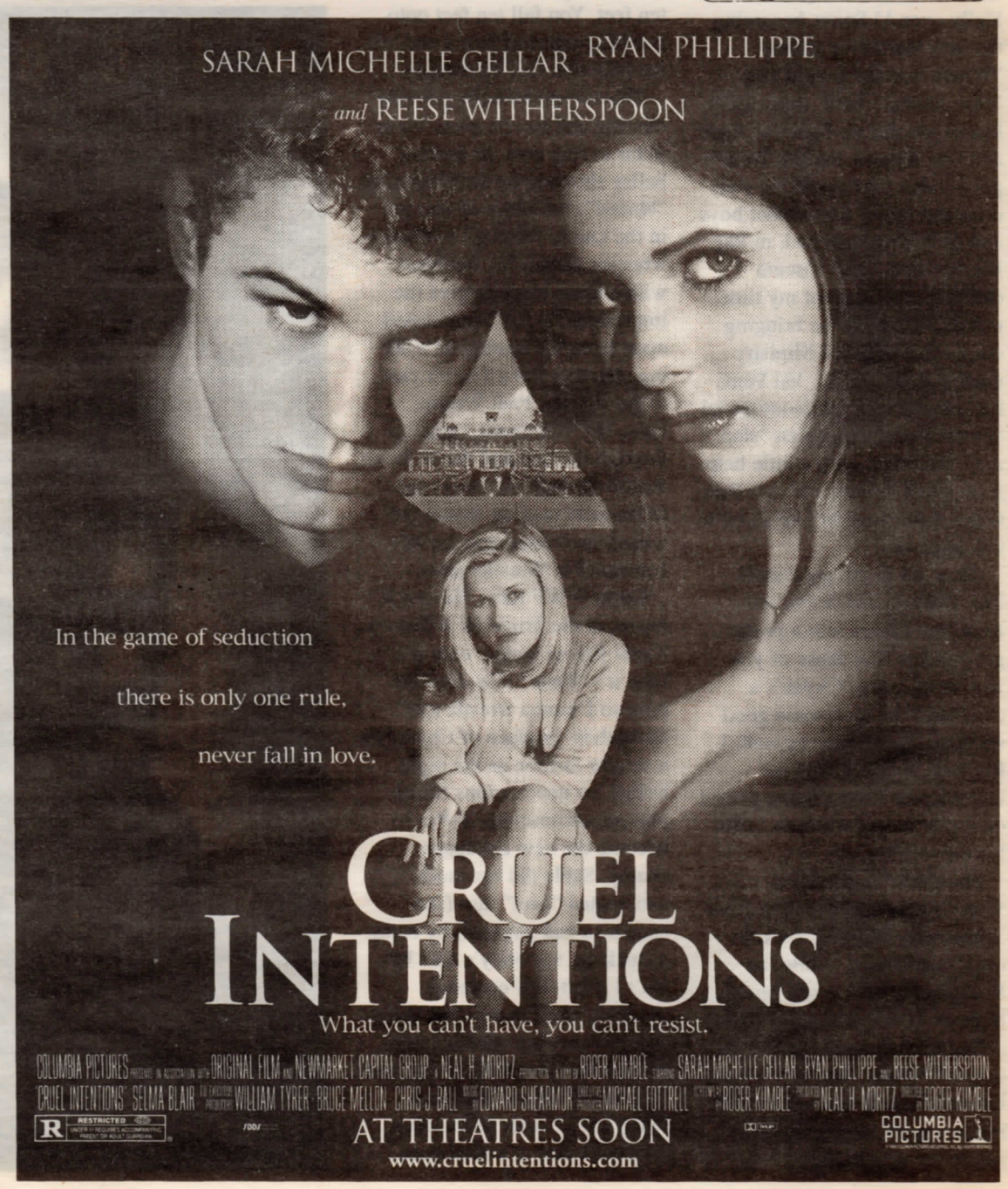
"Where are the pictures?" -Brad
"What? I dont' know grammar, I'm the copy editor!" -Phil
"Sure, I don't mind telling Ross." -Jennifer
"Why can't we be like normal people and go to bed on Sunday night?" -Adam

Answers to King Crossword

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LOS ANGELES





CAMPUS CALENDAR

**(Date) = Weekly Event

Tue. Feb. 23
Last Day to Complete InCompletes from Fall 1998 Courses

Tue. Feb. 23 & Wed. Feb. 24
"A Bug's Life"
playing at Cumnock Auditorium
8 p.m.



Free admission for students
Photo Courtesy of Disney

Tue. Feb. 23
Graduate Student Poster Presentation
Kitson Hall Conference Room
Noon - 4 p.m.

Tue. Feb. 23
Guest Speaker
Mohammed Bilal from MTV's "The Real World"
7 p.m.

Tue. Feb. 23
Paper Airplane Competition
Cumnock Auditorium
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Tue. Feb. 23
"Nite of Praise"
w/ guitarist Matt Higgins
Abundant Life Christian Fellowship
Fox 617
7 p.m.

**Tue. Feb. 23
Indepth Bible Study
Abundant Life Christian Fellowship
Fox 617
7 p.m.

Wed. Feb. 24
Egg Drop Contest
Kitson Hall Conference Room
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Wed. Feb. 24
Guest Engineers in Classes
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Wed. Feb. 24
Student Awards Ceremony
Kitson Hall Conference Room
4 - 5 p.m.

**Wed. Feb. 24
Daily Mass
5 p.m.
Spaghetti Supper
5:30 p.m.
Catholic Center

Thur. Feb. 25
African American Musical Showcase - ASAO
Cumnock Auditorium
7 p.m.

**Thur. Feb. 25
Collegiate Bible Study
Abundant Life Christian Fellowship
Fox 617
7 p.m.

Thur. Feb. 25
Francis Distinguished Lecture
Kitson Hall Conference Room
1:30 p.m.

Fri. Feb. 26
RiverHawk Luncheon
Fox MPR
1 p.m.

Fri. Feb. 26
Unity March
ASAO
Cumnock Auditorium
7 p.m.

Fri. Feb. 26
Cincinnati-Malacron Lab Inaugural Ribbon Cutting
Ball 118
11 a.m.

**Fri. Feb. 26
Scripture Study
1 - 2 p.m.
Silent Prayer for Lent
4 - 5 p.m.
Catholic Center

**Sun. Feb. 28
Catholic Mass
Fox 301
9 p.m

**Sun. Feb. 28
Worship Service
Protestant Campus Ministries
Fox 301
6 p.m.

Mon. Mar. 1
Music Concert
MEISA
Cumnock Auditorium
8 p.m.

Tue. Mar. 2 & Wed. Mar. 3
"Psycho"
playing at Cumnock Auditorium
8 p.m.
Free admission for students

Tue. Mar. 2
Career Question Corner
McGauvran 2nd Floor
10 a.m. - Noon

Tue. Mar. 2
Resume Writing Workshop
Pasteur 217
1:30 p.m.

**Tue. Mar. 2
Indepth Bible Study
Abundant Life Christian Fellowship
Fox 617
7 p.m.

Wed. Mar. 3
Tax Workshop
for International Students
Lydon Multimedia Room
2 - 4 p.m.

**Wed. Mar. 3
Daily Mass
5 p.m.
Spaghetti Supper
5:30 p.m.
Catholic Center

Thur. Mar. 4
Health Fair
Health Services
McGauvran 2nd Floor
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Thur. Mar. 4
Cultural Encounter:
"International Food and Entertainment" -ALANA
Cumnock Auditorium
5 - 8 p.m.

**Thur. Mar. 4
Collegiate Bible Study
Abundant Life Christian Fellowship
Fox 617
7 p.m.

**Fri. Mar. 5
Scripture Study
1 - 2 p.m.
Silent Prayer for Lent
4 - 5 p.m.
Catholic Center

Fri. Mar. 5
Applications become available for Matt Drouin Scholarship

Fri. Feb. 5
Applications become available for Student Leadership Awards

**Sun. Mar. 7
Catholic Mass
Fox 301
9 p.m

**Sun. Mar. 7
Worship Service
Protestant Campus Ministries
Fox 301
6 p.m.

Sun. Mar. 7
Faculty/Guest Series
String Currents
Fisher Recital Hall, Durgin
4 p.m.

Mon. Mar. 8
Ensemble Series
UMass Lowell Wind Ensemble
Durgin Concert Hall
7:30 p.m.

Thur. Mar. 11
Faculty/Guest Series
Art Song Recital
Fisher Recital Hall, Durgin
7:30 p.m.

Fri. Mar. 12
Spring Break Begins
6 p.m.

Tsongas Arena Events:
(978) 848-6900

Wed. Mar. 10
Sno-Core Concert with the bands Everclear, Soul Coughing, Redman, and DJ Spooky
7:30 p.m.
Tickets $26

Thur. Mar. 25
Globetrotters
7 p.m.
Tickets $19.50 & $12.50

Sat. Apr. 10
Mass Destruction:
The UltimateNight of Fighting
8 p.m.
Tickets $25 & $50

Fri. Apr. 30
Allpro Bull Riders
Championship Finals
7 p.m.
Tickets $16

Sat. May 1
Allpro Bull Riders
Championship Finals
2 p.m. & 7 p.m.
Tickets $16

Lock Monsters
Tickets $11 - $22

Tue. Feb. 23
vs St. John Flames
7:05 p.m.

Sat. Feb. 27
vs Providence Bruins
7:35 p.m.

Sun. Feb. 28
vs Beast of New Haven
4:05 p.m.

Sun. Mar. 7
vs Springfield Falcons
4:05 p.m.

UMass Lowell Hockey
(Student Tickets $4)

Fri. Feb. 26
vs Maine
7 p.m.

Sports:

Instructional Programs

Health/Safety Classes:
Community CPR
Begins: Wed. Feb. 24
Day: Wednesdays
6 - 10 p.m.
2 weeks
$35 fee

Community First Aid and Safety
Begins: Wed. Feb. 24
Day: Wednesdays
6 - 10 p.m.
3 weeks
$50 fee

Intramural Sports:

Wed. Feb. 24
Racquetball Doubles
Entries Close

Mon. Mar. 4
Mid-Term Triathlon
Entries Open

Wed. Mar. 4
Walleyball
Entries Close

Mon. Mar. 8
Soccer & Softball
Entries Open

Wed. Mar. 10
Mid-Term Triathlon
Entries Close

Meetings:

**Tue. Feb. 23
Art History Club
Coburn Hall 300
4 p.m.

**Tue. Feb. 23
The Connector - Newspaper
Fox 426
6 p.m.

Off Campus Events:
Now - Sun. Mar. 14
"Tenderloin"
Musical Satire
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283 Melrose St., Newton
Thur., Fri., Sat. @ 8 p.m.
Sun. Feb. 21 @ 7 p.m.
All other Sun. @ 2 p.m.
Tel # 617-244-0169

Wed. Feb. 24
"The Kings Singers"
Mechanics Hall
321 Main St., Worcester, MA
8 p.m.
(508)754-3231

Thur. Feb. 25 - Sun. Feb. 28
"Under Milk Wood"
Wellesley College campus
(781) 283-2000

Fri. Feb. 26
"Nana Mouskouri, international chanteuse"
Mechanics Hall
321 Main St., Worcester, MA
8 p.m.
(508)754-3231

Boston Celtics:
Fleet Center
www.ticketmaster.com

Wed. Feb. 24
vs Orlando
7 p.m.

Fri. Feb. 26
vs New York
8 p.m.

Mon. Mar. 1
vs New Jersey
7 p.m.

Fri. Mar. 5
vs Denver
7 p.m.

The Connector

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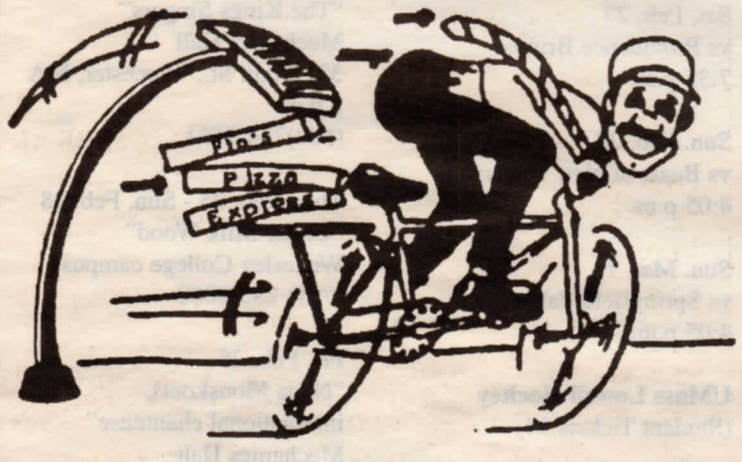
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Tuesdays
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Fox 426
6 p.m.

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Toppings

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	Med.	Lg.
Veggie	3.85	4.85
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Tuna	4.25	5.25
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Cheese Steak	4.25	5.25
B.L.T.	4.25	5.25
Steak Bomb	4.75	5.75
Italian	4.25	5.25
Turkey	4.25	5.25
Ham & Cheese	4.75	5.75
Meatballs	4.25	5.25
Sausage	4.25	5.25
Teriyaki Cheese Steak	4.75	5.75

Salads

Chef Salad	5.25
Greek Salad	4.75
Garden Salad	3.75
Tuna Salad	4.75

Soda

Can	.75
Liter	1.25

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UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

MESSAGE FROM THE CHANCELLOR

TO: FACULTY, STAFF, AND STUDENTS
FROM: Chancellor Hogan
DATE: September 30, 1998
SUBJECT: OPEN MEETING HOURS 1998-99 ACADEMIC YEAR

During the 1998-99 academic year I will hold Open Meeting Hours for Faculty, Staff and Students. The schedule of times and locations is listed below:

	Staff Hour	2:00 - 3:00
	Student Hour	3:00 - 4:00
	Faculty Hour	4:00 - 5:00
March 24	Trustees' Room, Cumnock Hall, North Campus	
April 21	Durgin Hall, South Campus, Room 309	
May 19	Trustees' Room, Cumnock Hall, North Campus	

ART HISTORY CLUB MEETING

Every Tuesday at 4 pm
Coburn Hall, Room 300

You don't have to be an Art History Major/Minor to join!



ATTENTION! ALL INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
TAX WORKSHOP PRESENTED BY THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

PLACE:MULTI-MEDIA ROOM, LYDON LIBRARY, NORTH CAMPUS
DATE: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 1999
TIME: 2-4 P.M.
IRS representative will be available to answer questions regarding your 1998 tax returns. Tax forms will be available.

University of Massachusetts Lowell Alumni Association 1999 Scholarship Recipients

Undergraduate Students
Karen Merrill-Desrosiers
Doris A. Dumond
Tara Nicole Fay
Ryan Finucane
Peter M. Saradjian
Christine Brooks
Joseph M. Dunn
Michael Raymond
Harmander Gill
Kevin Kalish
Jason J. Bielik
Christopher Jeffrey
William B. Jordan
Phuong-Son Nguyen
JudiAne Nutter
Ryan James Stoddard
Kerri Brooks
Dena L. Fitzgerald
Benjamin W. Powell
Donna Hovey
Neal Walfield
William M. Asselin
Jason Bellorado
Martha m. Coxe
Lisa M. Gagnon
Nirav B. Patel
William Landsman
Philip Levesque
Son Nguyen
Kevin J. Paternaude
Michael Poirier
Kevin J. Paternaude
Michael Poirier
Christopher M. Shaffer
Andrew Baum
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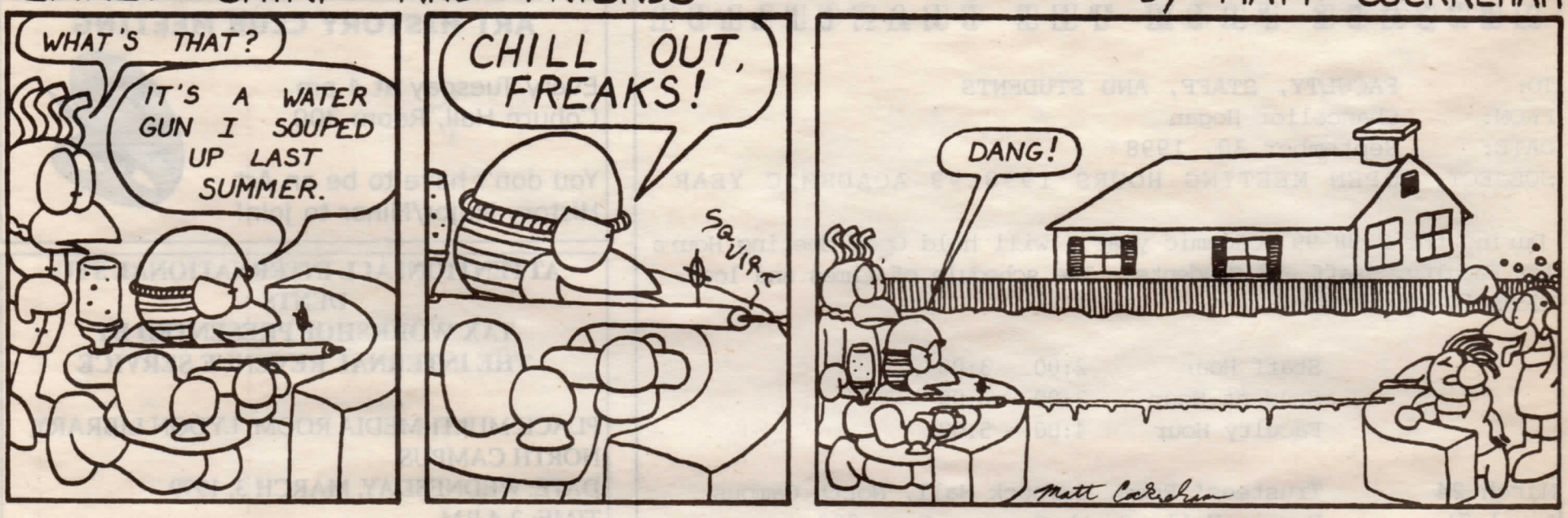
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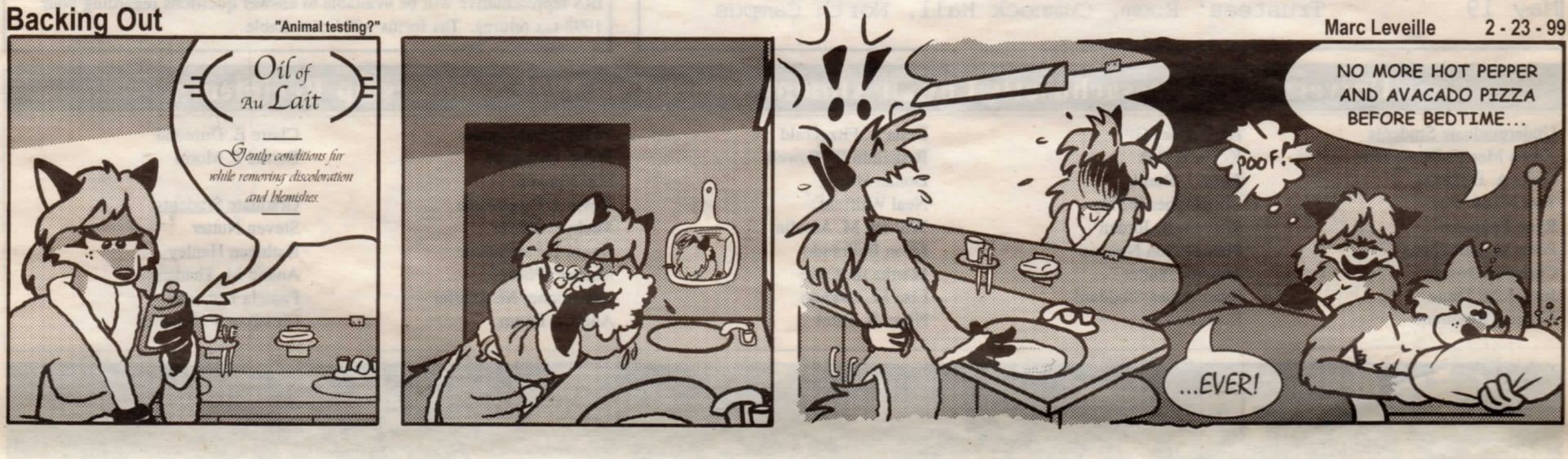
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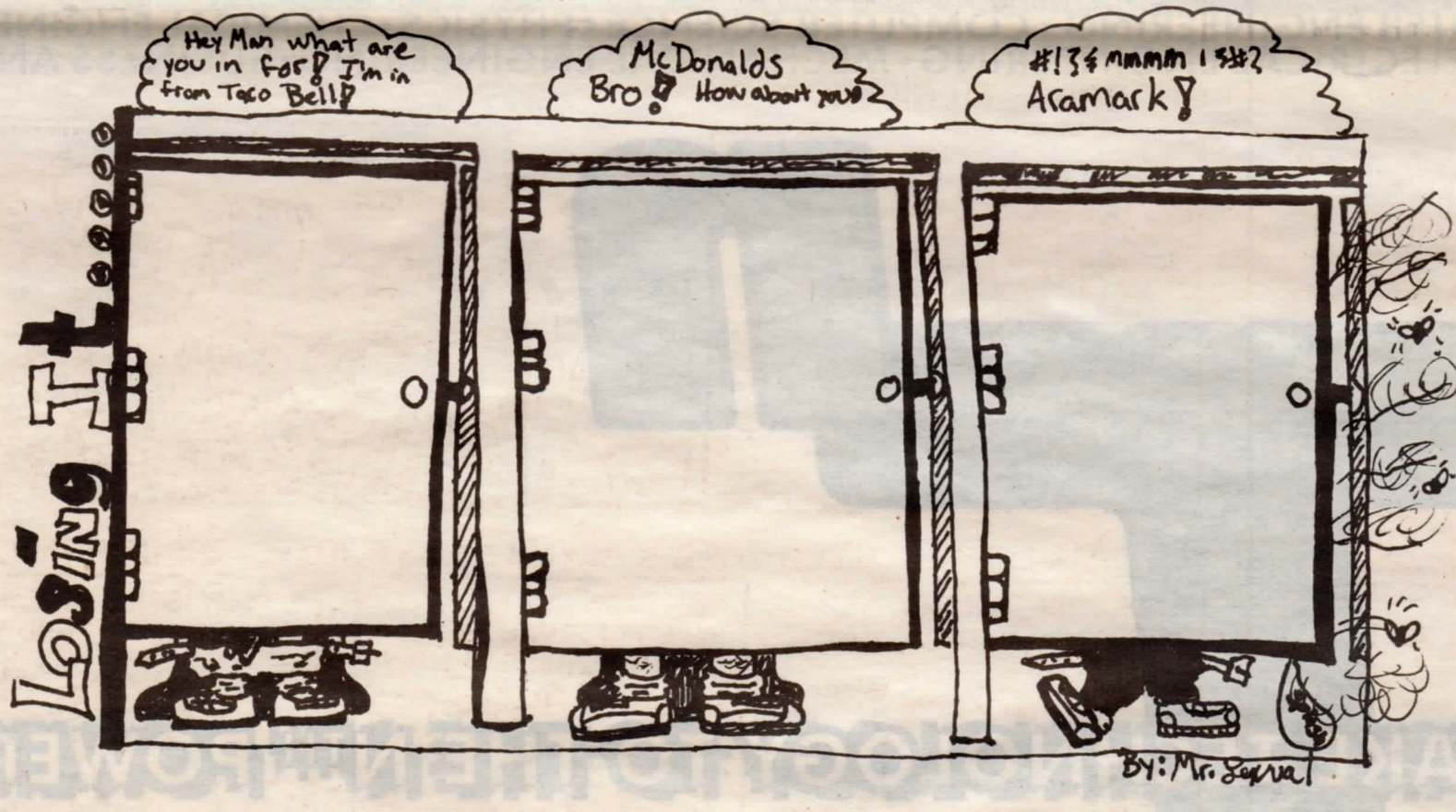
COMICS

EARLY CHIRP AND FRIENDS by MATT COCKREHAM



Backing Out "Animal testing?" Marc Leveille 2 - 23 - 99







"Uh... did I *really* say stop by anytime?"

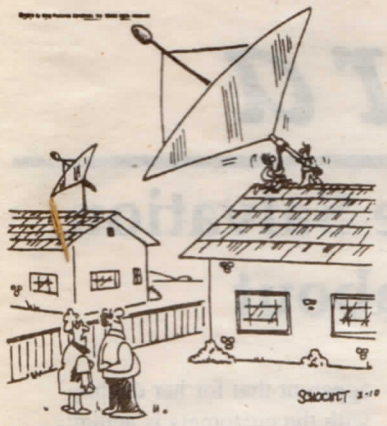
HUNTIN' HUMOR



Why? Because no one named a car after me, that's why.



"Don't feel bad honey. Bruce Willis is a sex symbol and he's almost bald too."



"Sidney, why must you always do better than the Joneses?"



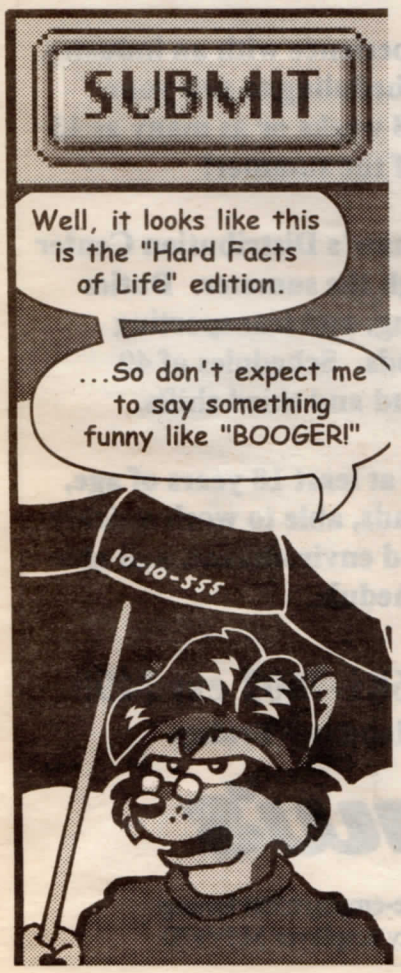
"We can't top your previous salary, but we can offer a more prestigious e-mail address."



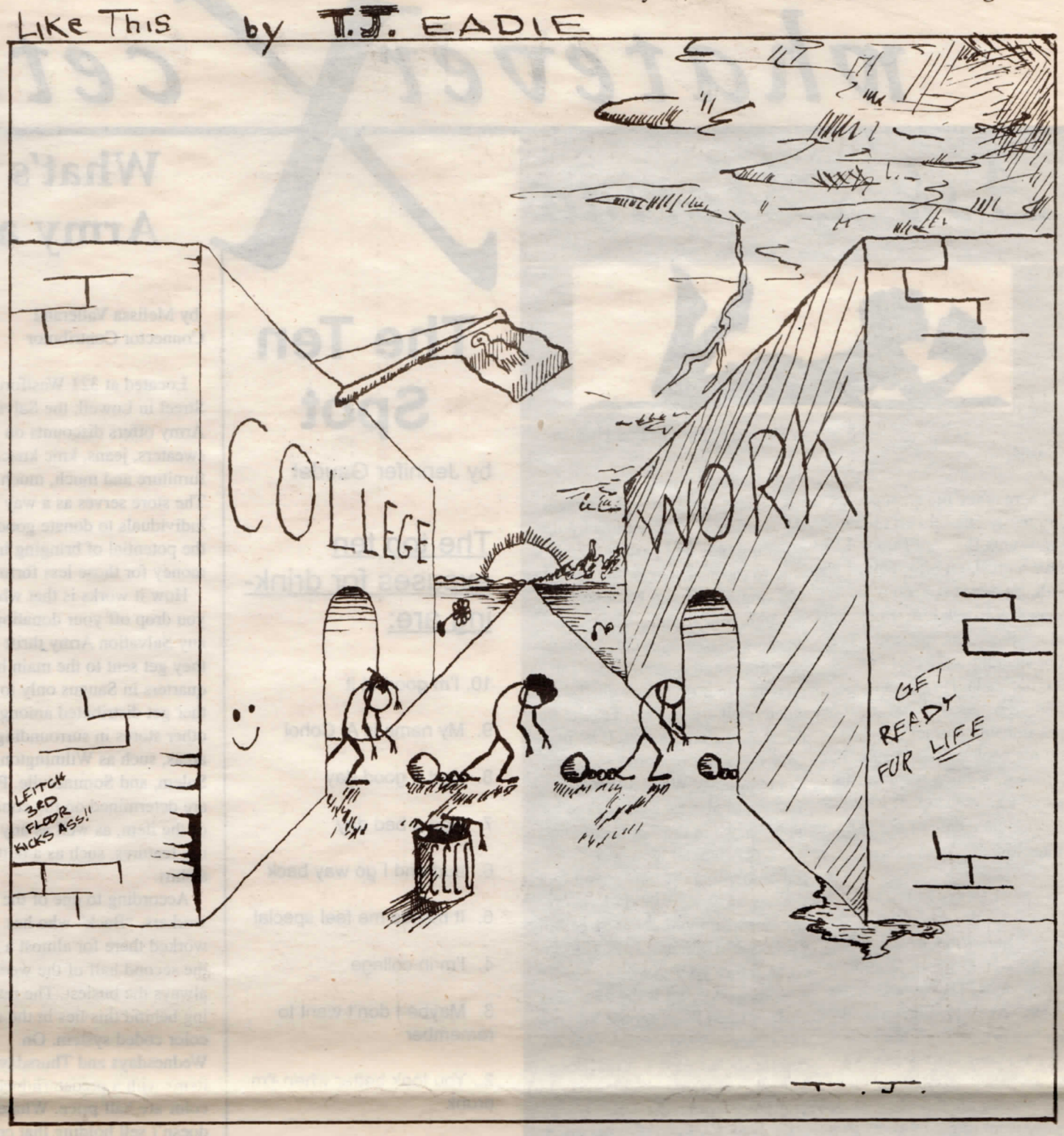
"What would you suggest for a woman who returns everything?"



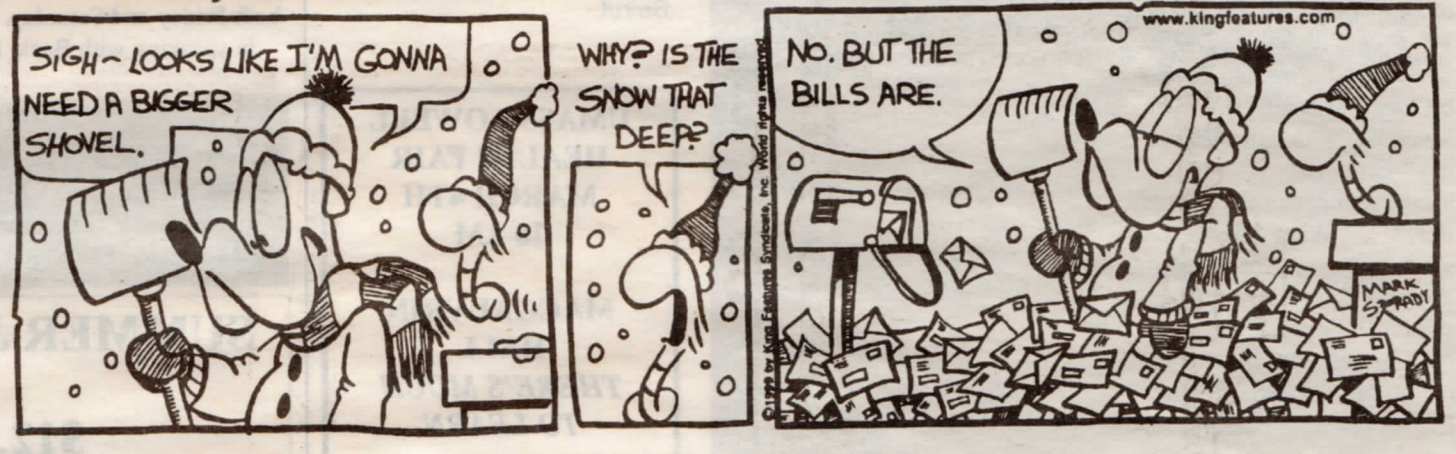
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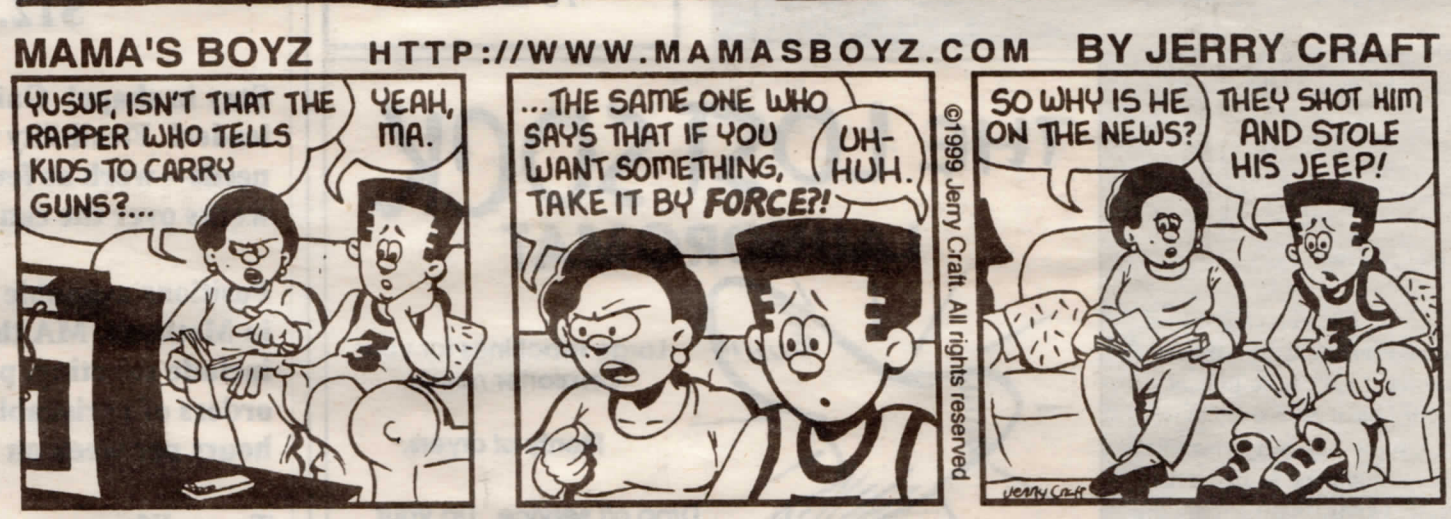
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Ask Marina



A Dating Failure in Fox Hall

Dear Marina,

There is the most handsome guy in my class. I can't believe I'm saying this, but I think I have a crush on him. Well, I was walking out of the room the other day to ask him if he wanted to study with me, and I saw him standing very close to another male. He was almost holding hands with him, and his questionable partner was holding his books. I'm not sure, but I think he's gay. I want to find out so I know whether I should ask him on a date or not. Any suggestions?

Fantasy in Film Class

Dear Fantasy in Class,

First of all, do not jump to conclusions. The "questionable friend" could have been holding the handsome guy's books because your fantasy guy was occupied with something else, like putting his jacket on. If you really want to get to know this person, you should begin by talking to him. Strike up a conversation with him before class, while you are waiting for the professor to begin. The more you speak with him casually, the more comfortable you will feel asking him personal questions, like, "Hey, What did you do last weekend?", or "Are you going away for Spring Break?". Judging by his responses you can probably extract whether or not he has a significant other. Remember what your mother always told you, never judge a book by its cover!

Marina

Dear Marina,

I have lived on campus for three years now. I have been to parties. I have been to bars. Hell, I have even gone to RA Programs, but everywhere I go there is no hope to find a date. Now, I know that I am not the best-looking guy in the world, but I don't think that I am too shabby. I just have to wonder if all the girls at UMass Lowell are snobs. If you can, prove me wrong.

I also would like to know how it is that I can find a date. I am truly a nice guy and would like to think that some girl out there would still like to date a nice guy. If you have any answers please send them my way.

Dear Dating Failure,

Chances are, you will not meet the woman of your dreams by frequenting bars and parties. The best way to meet people is through networking, which can be done through your friends, family, coworkers, classmates, etc. Joining new clubs and organizations can increase your odds as well. Take an elective where you can be sure that the male-female ratio will be in your favor, for example Contemporary Women Writers. You could also take advantage of a new feature in the Connector, and run a personal ad However, remember that the harder you look, the narrower your field of vision becomes, and you could be passing up valuable opportunities lurking right before your eyes.

Stop wondering if the girls at UMass Lowell are snobs! You may have encountered snobby girls on campus in the past, but that does not necessarily mean that every girl you meet will be the same. It takes a lot of bad eggs to find the good one. So keep your hopes up, and keep looking...she's out there!

Marina

{Send any personal, work, or etiquette concerns to Connector@uml.edu., or drop it off at the Connector office, Fox 426.}

The Ten Spot

by Jennifer Gaudet

The top ten excuses for drinking are:

10. I'm good at it
9. My name is Al Cohol
8. Had a good day
7. Had a bad day
6. bud and I go way back
5. It makes me feel special
4. I'm in college
3. Maybe I don't want to remember
2. You look better when I'm drunk
1. My favorite game is Beirut

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THERE'S MUCH TO LEARN

What's the Salvation Army all about

by Melissa Vallerand
Connector Contributor

Located at 321 Westford Street in Lowell, the Salvation Army offers discounts on shirts, sweaters, jeans, knic knacks, furniture and much, much more. The store serves as a way for individuals to donate goods at the potential of bringing in money for those less fortunate.

How it works is that when you drop off your donations to any Salvation Army thrift store, they get sent to the main headquarters in Saugus only to further get distributed amongst other stores in surrounding areas, such as Wilmington, Salem, and Sommervile. Prices are determined on the condition of the item, as well as any missing features, such as a button on a shirt.

According to one of the workers, "Back" who has worked there for almost a year, the second half of the week is always the busiest. The reasoning behind this lies in the store's color coded system. On Wednesdays and Thursdays, items with a predetermined color are half price. Whatever doesn't sell holding that color tag is sold for fifty cents on both Friday and Saturday.

In speaking with Back, it was apparent that for her dealing with the customers is actually more rewarding than arranging the clothes. She pointed out a few regular customers at the time and commented that sometimes they pop in just to say "hi." When asked about the shoppers who visited the Lowell Salvation Army, Back replied that the customers were of all ages, ranging mostly from high school students to an elderly population.

Many think of the Salvation Army as a caretaker for the local community. For example, as an internet source states (http://www.redshield.org/winstonsalem/facts.html) the group had assisted more than 6.5 million people last Christmas. Operating in more than 100 countries throughout the world, the Army was also responsible for helping out a whopping 2.5 million emergency/disaster victims just last year alone. And, those individuals who found themselves with a bell in hand and a shiny red kettle at the corner of shopping centers raised a total of $65 million dollars.

Whether it would be by thrift stores like the one in Lowell, or through money donations, the Salvation Army is achieving it's goal of providing for those in tough times.

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Break-up? No problem, girl!

by Vanessa Perry

So he was the love of your life, month, week or weekend. Things didn't work out the way you had hoped and now you are majorly bummed. What can you do to ease your pain? Here are a few hints:

1. See a movie-alone. Go and see that "chick flick" that you know will make you cry. By yourself, no one can ruin it by making fun of you for being sensitive.
2. Play your favorite music and sing. Screaming, growling and pretending you are the artist, all are acceptable.
3. Rediscover friendships. Without him taking up all of your time, you can finally get together with those friends you knew before and do all the crazy things you want to. Nobody is going to call you immature.
4. Pamper yourself. Hot oil treatments, mud masks, manicures, even a new hairstyle. This is even better with friends.
5. Go dancing. There is nothing like going clubbing right after a breakup. There are so many other guys out there, and at the club they all want to dance. It's a great power trip.
6. Buy that outfit you have been eyeing. Yep, that sexy little skirt and baby tee that you were going to buy to wear for him-use it to remind him that you are amazing and he is going to regret letting you go.
7. Don't fall back into the same rut. Don't go out with that guy in your English class just because he reminds you of your ex. And please, don't get back together with him unless he's done some super-special thing to prove that he's not the dog you called him. You may miss him, but if you two are not meant to be, don't force it.
8. Take up that hobby that you always wanted to do. Cardio-kickboxing, tennis, whatever. Don't just sit around and eat chocolate because then you will gain weight that will make you feel worse.
9. Don't jump to the next guy too quickly. Rebound relationships rarely work out and when they don't, you'll feel double-ly let down.
10. Don't pretend you are over it. If you deal with your feelings, your troubles will disappear much quicker than if you stuff them inside.
11. Go ahead, cry. Don't hold back the tears. It's a great way to release.
12. Rent movies. For the price of one movie in the theater, you can get two at Blockbuster. Dirty Dancing and Adam Sandler movies work well.

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You don't have to shave your legs if you don't want to.
When you kiss another guy it's not called cheating.
Aaahhh...the remote control.
No one will torture your cat.
One set of problems (your own) is enough.

Being single is not the worst thing in the world. Take your time getting over it, take care of yourself, and you will come out of it even better than when you went into it!
Sources: www.seventeen.com

Rites of passage: individual faith stories

by Noreen Volpe

There are many different religious faiths throughout the University. Each religion has its own unique way of bringing its members closer to God, through body, mind and spirit. My name is Noreen Volpe. I am an English major and a senior here at UMass Lowell, and my religious faith is Roman Catholic. This is the beginning of a new series to the Connector called "Rites of Passage: Individual Faith Stories." Today's article is about my personal experience with becoming an adult member in the Catholic church, the sacrament of Confirmation.

Preparation for Confirmation is a time for prayer, for asking questions, and for wondering about what it means to be can adult in the Catholic church. My preparation for Confirmation consisted of one hour, monthly meetings. During these meeting I prayed, asked questions of my teacher and priest, and watched videos dealing with confirmation. Likewise there was a retreat, where I talked to other Confirmation candidates, including college students who were already confirmed. I chose to be confirmed because it was expected of me and because I wanted to be an adult in my faith with Jesus Christ.

Each church is different in how and when they perform Confirmation. I was confirmed in tenth grade. I was fifteen. At the ceremony I was dressed in a skirt, blouse, and blazer. A red stole was draped around my neck.

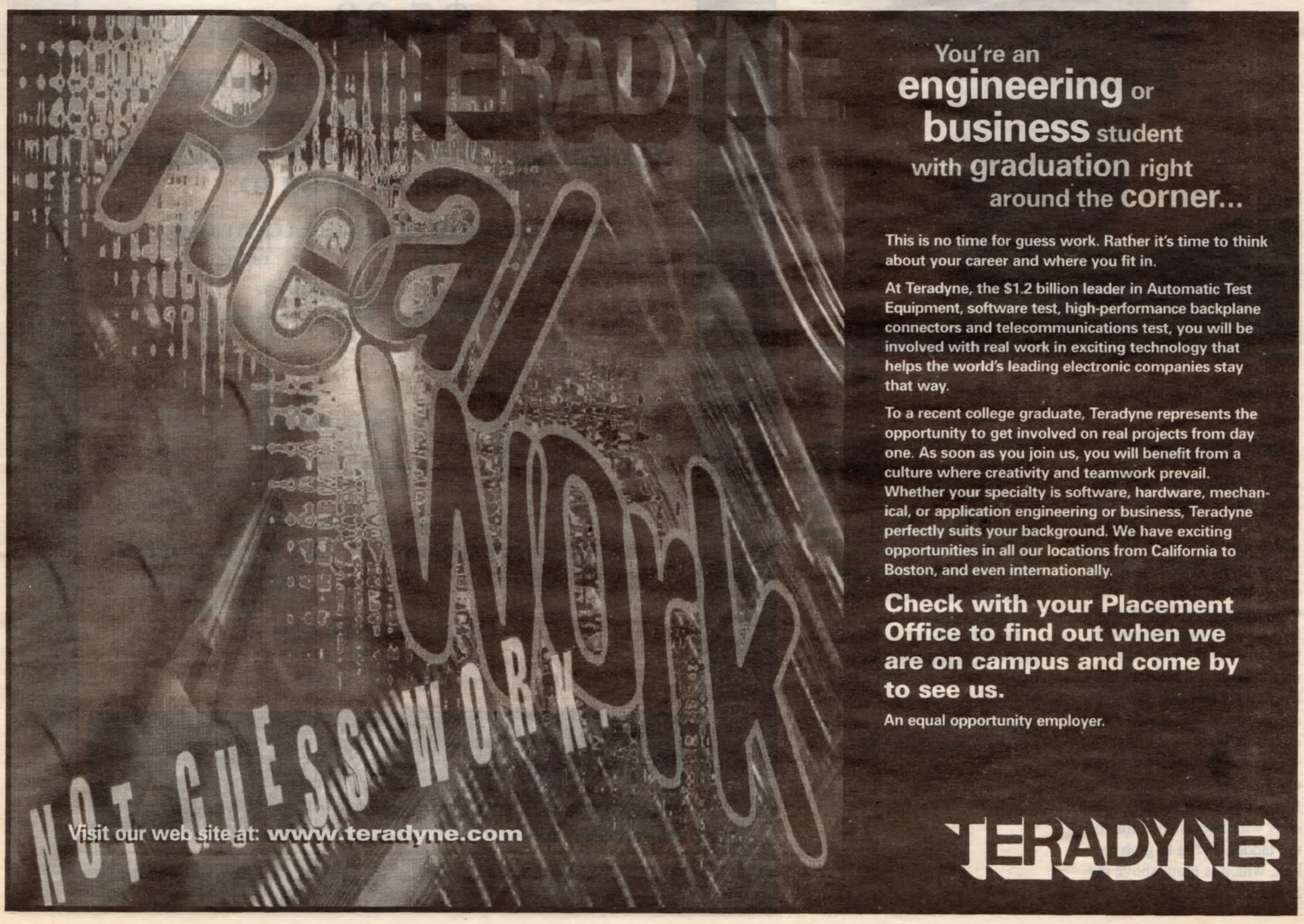
Imprinted on the stole was a white dove, which symbolizes joy and peace. The red symbolizes love and martyrdom or sainthood. In Confirmation, candidates take a Confirmation name, usually the name of a patron saint. I chose the name Mary, after the Virgin Mother of Christ. Confirmation candidates have a sponsor, who agrees to assist the confirmant in her belief and faith in the Catholic church. My Godmother was my sponsor.

The sacrament of Confirmation is performed, usually, as part of the Catholic mass. Most Catholic masses consist of the Liturgy of the Word, the gospel, and the Liturgy of the Eucharist, the celebration of communion with Christ.

My Confirmation experience was one of peace. People have told me they feel a presence. I came to the realization that I was an adult in my faith community. My view of Catholicism was no longer a child's view of boredom, but one of interest and a closeness to God.

Though the sacrament of Confirmation is celebrated differently in different Christian faiths the end result is the same. In Confirmation I was rewarded not only by becoming an adult member of my church community, but also because I have strengthened my belief and faith in that Lord Jesus Christ.

Anyone interested in relating her or his story may contact **Reverend Imogene Stulken,** Protestant Minister on campus at, 934-5014, or Noreen at South Campus mailroom box #6702.



O'Neil, from page 1

attend the regular public school system from then on. Joe graduated from Chelmsford high school in 1989, and went on to an independent living training program. The councilors there discouraged Joe from living on his own, but he didn't listen. He has lived in his own apartment for almost eight years, and is for the most part self-sufficient.

After the program, O'Neil attended Middlesex College where he earned an associates degree in 1995. He is now on his way to a Bachelor's degree and a possible graduation with honors due to a high GPA.

O'Neil feels that his experience at UML has been nothing but positive. Though he has a lot of mobility training it can sometimes be overwhelming for him to try and get around. O'Neil said that the students and faculty have been extremely helpful in accomplishing his goals. He extends special recognition to Professor William Hersey of the English department and Beth Donaghey from the office of Disability Services. Sandy Bernor, a returning student has also been crucial to O'Neil's education by taking him to his classes and driving him to and from school.

O'Neil uses many devices to assist him such as tapes, a Braille typewriter, a computer, and readers and note takers provided by the university. The computer enables O'Neil to complete his work by just talking into it.

"Most of all I have a good memory, except when it comes to voices," O'Neil said laughing. "I just wish people would identify themselves when they approach me. It can be embarrassing when I say the wrong name."

O'Neil has done a lot of volunteer work for the Lowell Association of the blind. In the future, the avid sports fan would love to be able to get involved in sports writing. If that doesn't work out, he would like to be a professor or councilor to help others in return.

O'Neil aspires to earn a master's degree so he can better his chances at a long-term job. O'Neil is an example of someone who can overcome any obstacle to get what he wants.



Joe O'Neil

Photo by Genevieve Hubbard

Thrill, from page 9

match between the Rock and Mankind for the WWF World's title. This time it's a ladder match, and we have the #1 contender, Steve Austin as guest commentator. Basically, take everything good from the last five matches these two have been in over the past two months and you have the play by play for this one. Don't get me wrong, it was another great match, but lets finish this. I wanna see the Rock vs. Stone Cold at Wrestlemania, and now I'm going to get to. The match ends with both men at the top of the ladder, trying to grab the belt, which is hung above the ladder, if you didn't know. Well, out comes our new buddy, Paul "I'm not going to refer to him as the Giant anymore, so remember him" Wright, and gives Mankind a nice big chokeslam off the top of the ladder to the mat. Rock wins. I win. We're all happy, even Mankind, because he's unconscious, as usual.

The "Swerve of the night" is,- insert drum roll here- Vince McMahon is more Mc-MAN then anyone ever gave him credit for. Good job Vince, now, go away. I'm the Thrill, and I want-you -to want-me.

Tyler, from page 1

action's effectiveness in the southern parts of the U.S.

Eva Joseph, a third-year Sociology major, asked about the NAACP's college branches, which was a topic of interest that night. "It will bring awareness and unity in the school", she explained.

Three associates, seated on a panel, accompanied Tyler to the talk.

"The NAACP has always been about getting the job done and not just about color", Tyler stated in assessing the success of the association over the years. She encouraged the students to volunteer and use the NAACP as a resourceful tool as the mantle is passed to the coming generation.

Ebony Massey, the Association of Students of African Origin's (ASAO) president, said she invited the NAACP because of "[their] symbolic role in the black movement, which made them perfect speakers for our Black History Celebration."

Mohammed Bilal of MTV's "The Real World" will speak tonight, February 23, in the Fox Multi-Purpose Room at 6:30 p.m.

Rushmore, from page 8

depressed and lonely millionaire. In fact, Touchtone Pictures released the film in selected cities in early December to qualify Murray for Oscar eligibility, but the Academy snubbed his wonderful performance when he was not nominated.

Newcomer Jason Schwartzman garners the lead role as the ambitious but challenged Max Fischer. Schwartman, who comes from noble acting blood (his mother is Talia Shire of *Rocky* fame and his cousin is A-list actor Nicolas Cage), portrays the character with the skill of a Hollywood veteran. He delivers Anderson's dialogue with the perfect amount of sarcasm and straight-faced humor needed for the role.

Rushmore offers a few funny scenes reminiscent of such hits as *Goodfellas* and the LA crime sage *Heat*, in an homage to Anderson and Wilson's favorite films. Offering supporting roles are young Mason Gamble and Owen Wilson's brother Luke (*Home Fries*), in a cameo.

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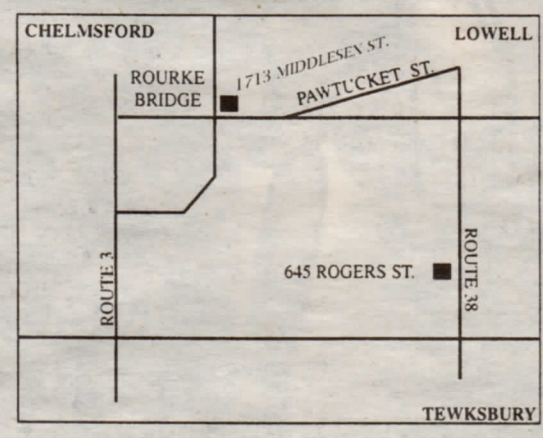
family members, cheering on the team from their high school. Members from the three highest scoring teams received a $2,000 renewable scholarship at UMass-Lowell, but none of the participants were left empty handed. All members of the teams received T-shirts for participating in the event.

As a bonus, all the teams got a guided tour of the UMass-Lowell campus and academic departments the university offers. Director of Admissions, Rayanne Lappierre, summed up the event by saying, "The contest allows the children from local schools to see what the university has to offer, while having a little fun doing it."

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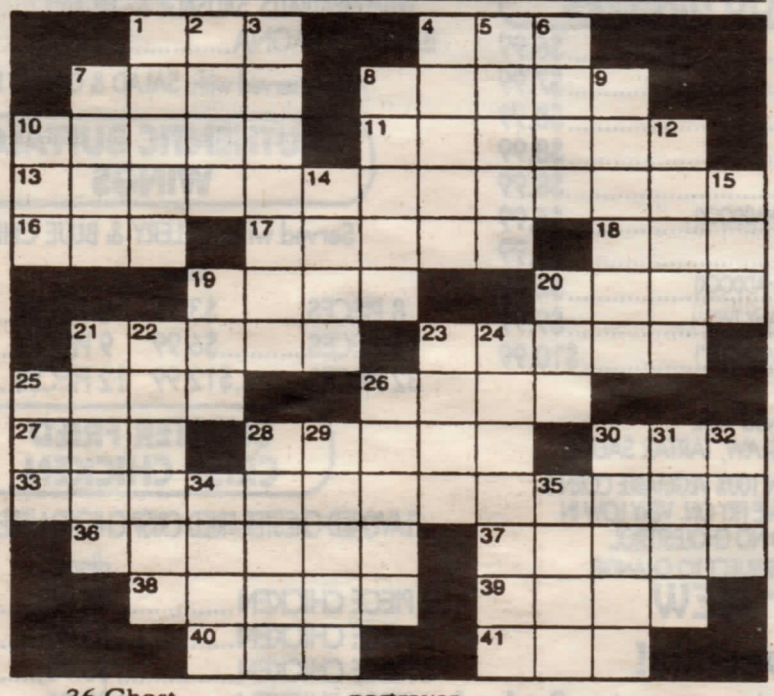
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Sports Spotlight

by Melissa Sullivan
Connector Staff

Tricia Metz



Year: Senior
Sport: Softball
Position: Shortstop
Hometown: Chelmsford
High School: Chelmsford High School
Major: Liberal Arts
Nickname: Trica
Favorite Pro Team: Seattle Mariners
Favorite Athlete: Roger Clemens
Favorite Actor: Robin Williams/Nicholas Cage
Favorite Actress: Jodie Foster
Favorite Movie: The Outsiders/Breakfast Club
Favorite Singer Tori Amos
Favorite Meal: Baked Mac&Cheese
Favorite TV Show: The Drew Carey Show
Hobbies: Rollerblading, mountain biking, working out
What do you do to relax: hang out at the house with Jaime and Anne and sleeping
Memorable moment at UMass Lowell: Watching Gags work her magic and an exciting spring with Cliffy
Biggest Wish: To make the ECAC's
Best part of your sports career at UMass Lowell: Hitting a homer for Julie
Best part of your sport: The feeling you get after you make a play on a ball.
Hopes for the future: To become an elementary school teacher and coach at either the high school or college level and of course live a long happy life
Three famous people you would invite to dinner: Vince Lombardi, Garth Brooks, Oprah
One famous event in history you would have like to have been at: Garth Brooks' free concert in Central Park
If you could do one thing in your life, what would it be: Travel around the world
Quote: "Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off your goal"

Tim Sullivan



Year: Junior
Sport: Wrestling
Position: 197lb
Hometown: Billerica
High School: BMHS
Major: Finance
Nickname: Sully
Favorite Pro Team: Harlem Globetrotters
Favorite Actor: Al Pacino
Favorite Actress: Cameron Diaz
Favorite Movie: Good Will Hunting/Something about Mary
Favorite Singer Rolling Stones
Favorite Meal: Steak Tips with baked potatoes
Favorite TV Show: Seinfeld
Hobbies: Make home videos
What do you do to relax: Sky dive/bungy jump
Memorable moment at UMass Lowell: Naked Desi/Wrestling the Raging Bull
Biggest Wish: To have a team next year

Best part of your sports career at UMass Lowell: My teammates and van rides with Bob Marley
Best part of your sport: Mattball/overunders
Hopes for the future: Own a hot dog cart

Three famous people you would invite to dinner: Adam Sandler, Chris Farley, Homer Simpson
One famous event in history you would have like to have been at: The match that Dan Gable lost
Quote: "You're only as good as your last fight"

Indoor track enjoys another successful weekend

by Casey Lerner
Connector Contributor

Last week the women's track team traveled to Kingston Rhode Island to take part in the New England Championships. Competing with a small squad of athletes the women had a strong showing, going up against Division I schools substantially larger than UMass-Lowell, such as Boston College, Northeastern and host U.R.I. The women made it through a grueling weekend that saw many of them having to run three and four races during the two-day span.

Senior captain Erica Towlson concluded her four-year stretch of competing with the top hurdlers in New England by placing third in that event with a time of 8.24 seconds. Towlson (Winthrop, MA), also took third in the long jump. Towlson's co-captain Melissa Sullivan improved on her performance from the previous week, breaking the 60-second barrier three times at U.R.I. Sullivan qualified for the finals of the open 400 meters on Friday night, then recorded a personal best in the finals running 59.31, good for fifth place. Sullivan capped off her weekend by leading the 4X400 meter relay team to an eighth place finish with her third sub-60 quarter of the meet.

Freshman Jill Croft teamed up with Junior Erika Rice to take third and fourth place respectively in the 55-meter dash with times of 7.29 and 7.30. The two River Hawk sprinters also took place on an impressive 4X200 meter relay team, that included Heather Dion (25.9) and Towlson (26.7), which took fourth place in a time of 1:45.1, with Croft recording the fastest split (25.3). The sprinters efforts were backed up by Tara Fay's third place in the shot put and impressive outings by distance veterans Kristy Pappas and Danielle Audette, who both recorded person bests in the mile and 800 meters, respectively. Next up for the women is the New England Collegiate Conference Championships at Southern Connecticut University.

by Jayson LaValley
Connector Contributor

The weekend of cupid involves roses, candy and especially the color red. The men's indoor track team's red jerseys and red speed suits came out and proved they indeed belonged at Boston University's Armory which held their annual St. Valentine's Invitational. The young 4x400 relay team consisting of fifth year senior Casey Lerner, sophomore Phil Levesque and Woburn freshmen sensations Mike Paige and Tim Stott continued shaving seconds off of their previous best to 3:19.13. Levesque (49.3) to Paige (49.3) to Stott (51.3) to anchor leg Lerner (48.1) was the handoff sequence.

Senior Brendan Finn returned back to form running his 800m race in 1:54.64, his fastest indoor time this year. National-bound seniors and miler Kevin Andriolo and four lap accomplishment Lerner continued their ways running 4:18.84 and 1:55.26 respectively. Inside the oval, sophomore Loughton French (Boston, MA) ran 6.71 in the 55m dash preliminaries while the big men of junior Jeff Skrownek, Brian Sheppard, and senior Chris Shaffer had throws of 46'8.75", 44'3.5", and 44'2.5" respectively. Also, Woburn freshman transfer Eric Sherry ran the 1k race in 3:35.34 to round out coach Davis' red uniform performances.

Box Score:	fg-ft-tp
Men's BBall vs. Binghamton	
BINGHAMTON	
N. Neumann	5-8-18
N. Spiro	5-1-12
E. Guiliani	4-2-10
UMASS LOWELL	
D. Shabsels	3-10-16
C. Cowburn	5-4-14
B. Bettano	4-2-13
Women's BBall vs. Stony Brook	
STONY BROOK	
J. Daigneault	6-2-14
C. Ray	2-5-9
M. Schelp	3-2-8
UMASS LOWELL	
J. Bruce	6-4-18
M. Blalock	6-4-16
M. Raspopovic	3-0-6

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have slept a little in the third period and let them get back in it," Nolan added.

Boston College scored the only goal in the first period as Jeff Farkas tallied his 25th goal of the season at 9:59. After freshman defenseman Chris Gustafson broke up an Eagle two-on-one, Farkas picked up the loose puck, carried around the back of the net and snuck the puck past Fankhouser to put the Eagles up 1-0.

Down one to start the second period, Nolan took it upon himself to get the River Hawks back into the game, notching two goals in the first 2:51 of the second to give Lowell the lead.

His first came just 16 seconds into the period. After the opening faceoff, Nolan gained control of the puck and carried across the blue line down the left boards. After avoiding an Eagle defensemen, Nolan found himself all alone on Clemmensen. He skated to the net, put a backhander past Clemmensen, and tied the game at 1-1.

Nolan's scored his second of the game and seventh of the season at 2:51 of the second. Nolan took a pass from linemate John Campbell and found himself on a two-on-one with Josh Allison. As Nolan skated through the right circle, the defender pulled toward Allison and gave Nolan a clean shot at the net. Picking his spot, Nolan let go a wrist shot that beat

Clemmensen five-hole for a 2-1 lead.

York was impressed with what he saw from the River Hawks.

"They've got a good club. I like them — they work hard. For us to sweep them in three games, that is a major accomplishment. They are much better now than they were earlier [this season]."

"It was a disappointing game, but I'm not disappointed in the way we played," added Lowell coach Tim Whitehead.



Photo by Genevieve Hubbard
In focus: Freshman Yorick Treille looking up ice during Friday's game.

Sports in brief...

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Wednesday, February 10th at Franklin Pierce, Eyal Leib (Haifa, Israel) hit a jumper with four seconds left to give the River Hawks a one point lead. Franklin Pierce answered with a shot at the buzzer for a 65-64 win. David Shabsels (Manhattan, NY) led UML with 12 points. Saturday the River Hawks hosted Southern Connecticut. UML led in the first half but couldn't stop NECC scoring leader T.J. Trimboli, who had 23 of his 25 points in the second half. The River Hawks were led by Brian Bettano (Methuen, Mass.) who tied his career high with 25 points, including five three pointers. Casey Cowburn (Coudersport, PA) pulled down a career-high 12 rebounds. Leib continues to lead the league with 2.7 steals per game.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The UML women's basketball team went 1-1 on the week as it fell to Franklin Pierce Wednesday then bested Southern Connecticut at home Saturday. This win ensured the River Hawks a home playoff spot for the first round of the New England Collegiate Conference Playoffs.

Last Wednesday, 2/10 the River Hawks traveled to Rindge, NH to play Franklin Pierce. The River Hawks had the lead for most of the game but could not hold off a strong run by the Ravens, and lost 54-52. UML was led by Miroslava Raspopovic (Belgrad, Yugoslavia), who had 17 points. Jessica Bruce (Mattapan, Mass) chipped in with 13 points and grabbed 11 rebounds.

On Saturday, the River Hawks played host to Southern Connecticut. UML got a balanced scoring attack as they bested the Owls, 67-60. , Raspopovic led the way for the River Hawks again, scoring 16 points. Marsha Blalock (Roxbury, Mass.) added 15 points and five steals and Bruce added 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Bruce continues to lead the NECC in rebounding, averaging 10.3 per contest. Jessica Ouellette (Pembroke, NH) is shooting 48% from behind the three point arc, which is also good enough for first in the conference. Blalock is second in steals with 3.3 per game.

WRESTLING

Several wrestlers competed in an exhibition match at Harvard on Saturday. Sunday's home meet was cancelled. Several UMass wrestlers will compete next weekend in the regional meet at Pitt-Johnstown

INDOOR TRACK

Both the UMass Lowell men's and women's track teams are ranked nationally. The women are sixth in the NCAA Div. II rankings, while the men are 27th this week.

The women had a successful weekend as they finished sixth out of 16 teams (from all divisions) at the New England Indoor Track and Field Championships. The four by 200 meter relay team finished fourth with a time of 1:45.85. Erica Towlson (Winthrop, Mass.) finished third in the long jump with a distance of 17'09.50.

The men competed in the Valentine Classic at Boston University. The 4x400 meter relay team finished with a time of 3:19.13. The River Hawks did well in the 800. Brendan Finn (Billerica, Mass.) finished with a time of 1:54.64, and Casey Lerner (Marblehead, Mass.) finished with a time of 1:55.18.

Sparkle and fade - 'Hawks fall to Amherst

by Ian Cowpar
Connector Editor

Following perhaps their best performance of the season on Friday night, the River Hawk ice hockey team fell short to the now 10-18-2 Minutemen from UMass Amherst.

Despite firing 22 shots on net in the second period, Lowell was only able to put one past Minutemen netminder Marcus Helanen (35 saves).

For the second time in two nights, the River Hawks surrendered the game winning goal with under five minutes to play in the game.

Jeff Blanchard tallied the game winner at 16:57 of the third on a breakaway on Lowell goaltender Scott Fankhouser. Blanchard found himself all alone after a River Hawk defended tripped up, and beat Fankhouser low for the 3-2 lead.

Freshman Dan Fontas tied the game at 9:31 of the third, and the Hawks appeared to be right back in the game from an emotional standpoint.

Freshman Yorick Treille cut the lead to one at 2-1 in the second period at 10:10. After a nifty spin move to Helanen's right, Treille moved in front of Helanen and deposited the puck in the net.

UMass Amherst struck twice in the first period at 5:50 and 19:42.

Nick Stephens put the Minutemen on the board, and Randy Drohan gave them a 2-0 lead going into the first intermission on a shot that beat Fankhouser along the ice.

The River Hawks finished with 37 shots on net. Unfortunately for Lowell, they only managed 15 shots in the first and third periods combined.

Lowell will face the #2 ranked University of Maine Black Bears in their final home game of the season this Friday.



Photo by Karl Hubner

Growing pains: The inexperience of the River Hawk ice hockey team showed through this weekend as they continued their inconsistent play on Saturday after a stellar effort against Boston College Friday. Sophomore Jeff Boulanger lies on the ice after being injured by a stick

CENTER FOR DIVERSITY AND PLURALISM
SPRING 1999 MASTER CALENDAR

Wednesday, March 31 - Annual Youth Conference on Diversity, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Leo King Multi-purpose Room, Fox Hall. UMass Lowell students are invited to participate in discussions with area high school students on issues of diversity and democracy. Call x4342 for details.

Thursday, April 1 - Deadline for student groups to submit selections, or changes, to the 1998-99 *Directory of Diversity Initiatives*. Please send submissions to Center for Diversity and Pluralism, Alumni Hall, Room B2, North Campus or fax to x3084. Call x4342 for details.

Monday, April 5 - Diversity Grant application packets ready for student club and/or organization pick-up at the Center for Diversity and Pluralism, Alumni Hall, Room B2, North Campus. Call x4342 for more information.

Tuesday, April 20 - Beyond the Melting Pot - a Dinner Conversation with Harvard Graduate School Professor of Education and Sociology emeritus and author **Nathan Glazer** - Alumni Hall - 3:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Students welcome. Reservations required. Call x4342 for details.

Tuesday - Friday, April 20 - 23 - Diversity Literature Display - a collection of more than 200 books, papers, journal articles and documents plus an updated, comprehensive annotated bibliography of diversity literature. Alumni Hall, North Campus. Hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Wednesday, May 5 - Asian-American Breakfast Forum. A celebration to honor area business leaders and entrepreneurs. Faculty Lounge, Alumni Hall, North Campus, 8:30 to 10 a.m. Students welcome. Reservations required. Call x4342 for details.

Wednesday, May 19 - Staff Development Workshop for part-time and full-time coaches from the Athletic Department (*place TBA*) from 3 to 7:30 p.m. Facilitator: Chuck Christensen. Call x4342 for details.

Men's basketball downs Stony Brook in last regular season home game.

by Ian Cowpar
Connector Editor

David Shabsels poured in 21 points, including an 11 for 14 performance from the line, to lead the 'Hawks to a 79-72 victory over Stony Brook on Wednesday night.

The game was the River Hawks last regular season game. Senior Russell Scott fouled out with just under five minutes to go in the game, ending with ten rebounds.

The Seawolves tried to draw close at the end of the game as all three of Lowell's big men, Scott, Casey Cowburn, and Daniel Kohn fouled out. Senior Malik Curry held them off making several key foul shots down the stretch.

After Kohn fouled out, coach Gary Manchel went with 6'4 freshman Erik Strand. Strand contributed four points including a nice dunk on a breakaway.

The two teams combined for 92 free throws, five short of the NCAA record.

Leading the way for the Seawolves was Roel Moors who pumped in 16 points, including 7 of 8 from the line.

Seniors playing in their last regular season game were Scott, guard Reggie Evans, and Curry.

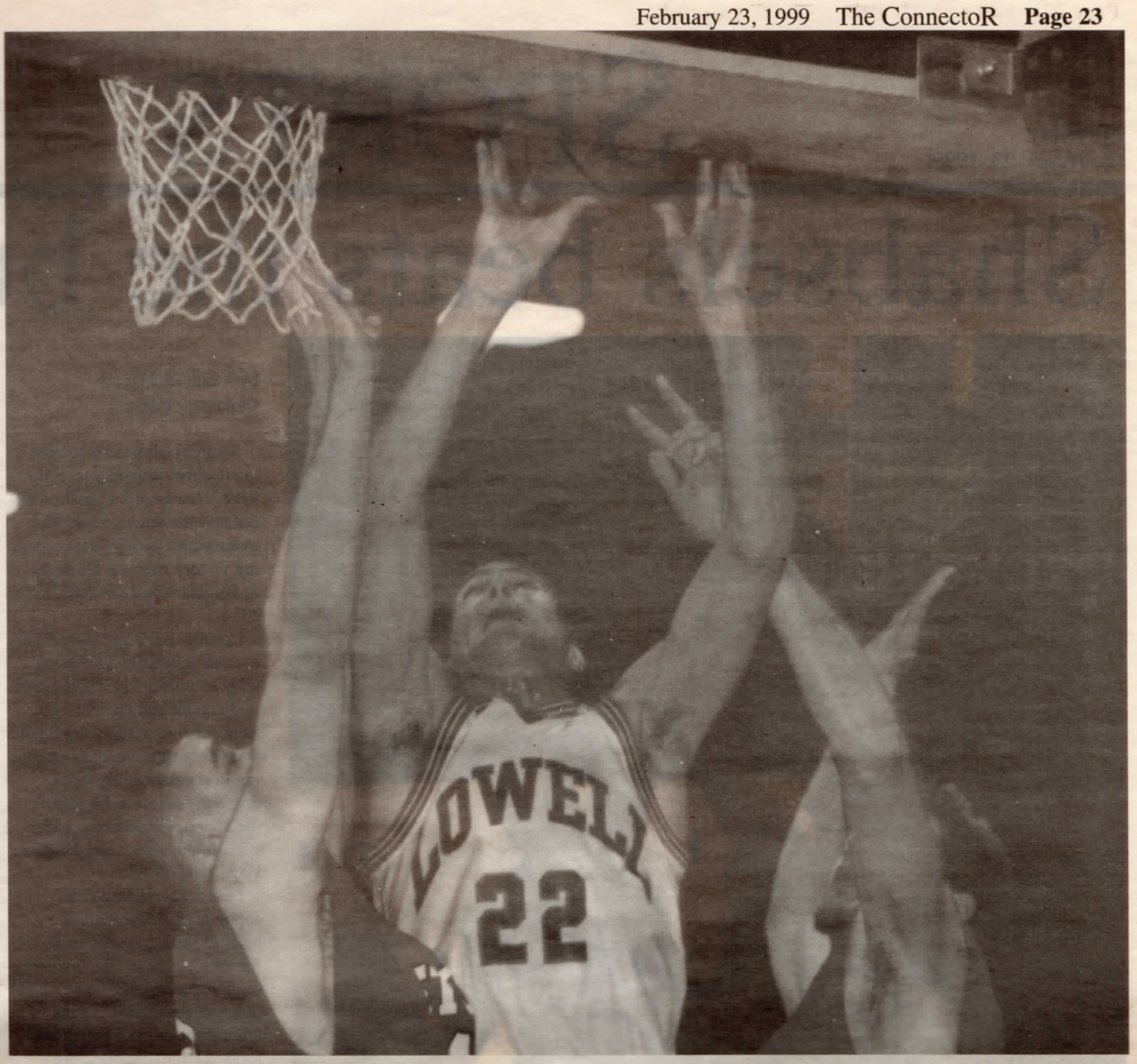


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Freshman sensation Eyal Leib skys above Stony Brook defenders last Wednesday night. The River Hawks went on to defeat Stony Brook 79-72.

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Shabsels beats the buzzer



Photo by Ian Cowpar
Sophomore Casey Cowburn on the opening tip-off against Binghamton on Saturday afternoon. The River Hawks defeated the Colonials 65 to 63.

by Adam Richmond
Connector Editor

Saturday afternoon hosting a quarterfinal playoff game, the River Hawks of Umass Lowell dazzled the fans in Costello gymnasium with a buzzer- beating victory over the Colonials of Binghamton University, 65 to 63.

Leading all River Hawk scorers was junior David Shabsels with 15 points. He worked hard in the paint and hit 10 of 16 from the line in the second half. With only three seconds remaining in regulation, Shabsels drove the lane, starting above the arch, and nailed the game-winning lay-up to cap the River Hawk playoff win.

Late in the second half, sophomore Brian Bettano helped cause a crucial turnover for the Colonials which was the turning point in the game. The turnover resulted in a game-tying three-pointer by senior Reggie Evans. Sophomore Casey Cowburn poured in 10 of his 14 points, and rookie guard Eyal Lieb swiped five of his six steals in the second half to help aid in Lowell's win.

The River Hawks looked like a different team in the second half after playing a dismal first half. After one half of basketball, the Colonials were leading 35 to 21, ending the half on a 18 to 4 run. The River Hawks didn't shoot a single free throw in the first half and were outrebounded by a two to one margin.

In the second, the River Hawks hit 21 out of 28 from the line and more then doubled their first half rebounding total.

Despite a great effort from Binghamton center Nick Neumann, the Colonials couldn't contain the Hawks' relentless attack in the second half. Neumann finished with the only double-double of either team, scoring a game high 18 points and pulling down 11 boards.

On paper, the Colonials outrebounded the Riverhawks 42 to 27 and out shot the Hawks 46 percent to 32 percent from the floor. Regardless of the stat sheet, the River Hawks came up big in the end and will play in their second playoff game at 7 pm Wednesday night at New Hampshire College.

River Hawks take #6 Boston College to the wire

Nolan strikes gold, but not enough for the River Hawks to topple the Eagles

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Trailing 2-1 going into the third period, the Boston College Eagles tallied two goals in the final eight minutes of the game to sweep the season series from the UMass Lowell River Hawks with a 3-2 victory.

Boston College trailed going into the third period for only the seventh time this season. In those previous six games, the Eagles had a record of 2-3-1.

"I thought Lowell played very well," said Boston College head coach Jerry York. "I thought the difference was that Scott Clemmensen (30 saves) was at his best that I've seen all year."

Senior Nick Pierandri tallied the game-winning goal with just 2:53 left on a wrist shot that beat Scott Fankhouser on the far post for only his third goal of the season. Pierandri was one-on-one with Josh Allison and somehow managed to get off a good enough shot to beat Fankhouser (28 saves).

"It was nice to see the unsung hero get the game-winning goal," said York. "All year we've been counting on the Bellefeuilles and the Giontas."

Pierandri's goal came just under five minutes after the Eagles tied the game on a questionable goal by Mike Lephart. Jeff Giuliano, who was originally credited with the goal, took a shot from Fankhouser's right side. Lephart was sliding in front of Fankhouser and ended up in the crease during the goal. The puck appeared to go across the goal line after Lephart was in the crease, but referee Tim Benedetto did not hesitate in calling it a goal.

"They took advantage of a couple breaks and we didn't take advantage of ours," said senior captain Doug Nolan.

Despite being outshot in the third period, the Eagles set the pace taking away the momentum that Lowell had held in the second period. "We weren't playing very well, and Scott kept us in the game," said York.

"I think we concentrated on playing 60 minutes but we might

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Photo by Genevieve Hubbard
Brad Rooney and Boston College's Jeff Farkas battle for the puck after a face-off Friday night.

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UML 65, Binghamton 63

Women's Basketball
UML 42, Stony Brook 51

Ice Hockey
UML 2, Boston College 3
UML 2, UMass Amherst 3

Upcoming River Hawk matches

Ice Hockey:
Friday, 2/26 vs. Maine 7:00pm
Saturday, 2/28 @ New Hampshire 2:00pm

Wrestling:
Friday, 2/26 @ NCAA Regionals

Indoor Track:
Saturday, 2/20 @ NECC Championships @ Southern Connecticut

Men's Basketball:
Wednesday, 2/24 vs. NHC 7:00pm

Women's Basketball:
Tuesday, 2/23 vs. Bridgeport 7:00pm

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